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MORE ARRESTS EXPECTED IN ESPIONAGE CASE

By YOEL DAR
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ACRE. — Four Jews and 14 Arabs remain in custody on suspicion of membership or knowledge of an alleged sabotage and espionage ring broken by security authorities last week. Two have been released for lack of evidence. The investigation continues and more arrests are possible at any moment. Some of those released are known to have had information on the ring's activities without passing it on to the authorities.



The Haifa bookstore belonging to Daoud Turki, one of the suspects in the Syrian espionage ring broken up by the police. (I.P.P.A.)

The police on Friday released the names of men regarded as prominent in the group. They are Mahmoud Said Mustafa Yasin, 36, of Nazareth, a student at the Hebrew University School of Pharmacy; Simon Haddad, 35, an Arab of Beblin, West Galilee, enrolled at the History Department of Haifa University and known for his activities among Arab students, and Ali Samniyah, 26, of Shtara, a former teacher dismissed for lack of pedagogical skill, who has lately been employed as a printer at Kibbutz Tel Yosef's Press and is suspected of having maintained or sought direct contact with the enemy.

Investigations of the Northern District Police are working on the case and many details of the ring's organization have not been released for publication. It is known, however, that at least one of the Jewish suspects went to Damascus and other places in Syria several times, to receive instructions from Syrian intelligence officers and sabotage training. The ring is believed to have caused more damage than any other member of the ring because he knew more since he was a former soldier.

The ring is thought to have been formed early in 1971 on the initiative of Habib Kahaway, once a resident of Haifa. He and his wife were convicted of espionage after the Six Day War, released and allowed to leave. They went to Syria where he has worked as an agent for the terrorist organizations. It is believed that he set up the ring inside Israel on the order of the Syrians.

The contact man, allegedly a Haifa bookstore owner, Sam'ar Daoud Turki, 45, an old friend and fellow member in the Arab Communist Party. He had in the early '60s, he moved to Haifa and opened his bookstore in Rehov Henuya. As he was the only agent for Arabic papers in the West Nisnas Quarter, he did rather well. When the Israeli Communist Party split into the Maki and Rehav factions, he joined neither, turning instead to a pro-Chinese group. In the course of time he withdrew from any political activity, especially after the Six Day War. When asked about it, he used to answer that "politics don't feed a man." Those who know him well believe that business alone did not satisfy him. His shop was run mainly by his eldest daughter, the first Arab girl to study at the Technion. Turki spent much of his time in coffee houses and with friends. In public he never expressed anti-Israel views. He is believed to have met Habib Kahaway several times in Europe or in a Mediterranean country.

It was at the insistence of the Syrian intelligence that Jews were included in the network, presumably on the assumption that their

PARIS (UPI). — White House aide Henry Kissinger yesterday wound up an additional week of secret talks with Hanoi representatives on a definitive Vietnam peace treaty.

He spent three hours and forty minutes with senior North Vietnamese diplomats Le Duc Tho and Xuan Thuy, bargaining over differences to be overcome before the signing of a final peace agreement.

Dr. Kissinger left the heavily guarded meeting place at Orsay-Yvette, a residential community 24 kms. south of Paris, and reported to Washington on the result of his sixth meeting with Tho this week.

No aide issued any comment indicating they have resolved the outstanding issues. Later it was announced that Gen. Alexander Haig, Dr. Kissinger's aide, was to return to Washington to report to President Nixon. The Paris talks will resume tomorrow.

French Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann told newsmen shortly before yesterday's Kissinger-Tho meeting that he remained optimistic about the prospects of an early peace. Mr. Schumann said he stood by his recent statement that newspaper writers were too pessimistic about the outcome of the new Paris peace meetings. He spoke after reviewing Vietnam with President Pompidou, who met Dr. Kissinger on Friday.

By ANAN SAFADI, Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Tension gripped Lebanon over the weekend after nine hours of fighting on Friday between Lebanese troops and terrorist forces in which at least eight persons were reported killed. It was the second day of fighting between the army and the terrorists, according to the Palestinian sabotage movement in Cairo-based radio.

(Last night, the terrorists reported that one of their men was killed in a renewal of shooting with the Lebanese army at about 5 p.m.)

The clashes involved areas in southern Lebanon banned to the terrorists following Israel's massive crackdown on the sabotage bases there last September.

In their account of the fighting, the terrorists implied they still maintained positions in the off-limit southern areas. However, Lebanese authorities reported the terrorists had evacuated the southern positions involved in the fighting.

The official statements issued by the Lebanese authorities and the terrorist movement conflicted with each other. Nevertheless, despite the fact that the weekend clashes seemed part of similar confrontations which have been occurring recently, the latest fighting appeared the most serious since 1969. At that time, the confrontation between the army and the terrorists led to a political crisis that hovered over Lebanon for some eight months.

Last night the terrorists said they had alerted their forces in the south and the refugee camps throughout Lebanon, as army troops set up roadblocks along roads linking the sabotage strongholds and Beirut.

The Lebanese authorities said that three of their men were killed and five others were wounded over the weekend, while the terrorists said that five of theirs were killed and "several" others wounded. One of the Lebanese victims was killed by unknown gunmen. Police sources said that a Lebanese security man belonging to the 16th squad of the general security contingent was gunned from ambush while alighting from a security vehicle on a regular patrol in one of Beirut's main streets. The terrorists said that their last man killed was shot at by the Lebanese

3 bombs rock Beirut paper; 1 killed, 4 hurt

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Three bomb explosions rocked the offices of "Ar-Rayah" newspaper in Beirut on Friday night, killing one man and wounding four others, among them a security guard, Lebanon's security sources said yesterday.

The newspaper building, located in Beirut's western residential district, was described as heavily damaged. The bombs, placed in the printing offices, went off at five-minute intervals beginning shortly after 8 p.m.

It was said the weekend flareup was a "misunderstanding" which he said "usually breeds friction."

Lebanon's leftist circles, which recently held a congress in support of the terrorists, held a demonstration in Beirut on Friday night protesting the clashes. The leftists demanded that the sabotage movement be given freedom of movement in southern Lebanon. Meanwhile, the number of terrorists in southern Lebanon is estimated at about 3,000. Until the Israeli crackdown on their bases in September, their force numbered 5,000 men. Since then, many have either moved to Syria or retreated to their refugee camps.

Budget of IL 19,000m. to Cabinet

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

A State Budget of close to IL 19,000m. for 1973/74 is to be presented to the Cabinet today, together with a Supplementary Budget for this year. The current year's budget was voted at IL 16,385m.

Extra allocations for the present year are required to finance the rise of wages in the civil service, the increased cost of subsidies on essential goods (owing to price inflation abroad that affects imports) and the expense of absorbing a larger immigration than expected. All the extra outlay will be covered from existing sources of revenue, since taxes and the sale of Government securities have brought in more money than anticipated.

Preparations for next year's Budget have been hastened during recent weeks with a view to tabling the Estimates in the Knesset on January 8.

The boom in tax revenue should make it unnecessary to borrow extensively from the Bank of Israel, informed sources say. This boom derives from the growth of economic activity and employment and the rise in wages. A promised five per cent cut in income tax has been taken into account in budgeting — but revenue will still be substantially larger than this year.

Hussein to Saudia

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

King Hussein of Jordan yesterday flew to Saudi Arabia for talks with King Faisal, presumably on the latest developments in the Middle East.

No evidence to link Matzpen to spy ring

TEL AVIV. — There is no evidence to link Matzpen or Siah to the activities of the four Jews held as members of the suspected Syrian sabotage and spy ring, a senior police officer said in a TV interview on Friday night.

Tat-Nitzav Yeheskel Karty, said that the four had once been members of the extreme leftist Matzpen group. He said the fact that for the first time a number of Jews were apparently involved in subversive activities could be attributed to the recent tendency of both Arab and Jewish ultra-extremists to split off from the leftist groups.

Tat-Nitzav Karty said the four Jewish suspects had this in common: They were native-born Israelis, possessed at least a high school education, and all had left Matzpen to set up a splinter group called "The World Communist Union — the Red Front." Even Mao is too moderate for them, the police officer stated.

Astronauts oversleep

SPACE CENTRE, Houston, Texas (UPI). — Apollo 17's astronauts slept through voice calls, a football sleet song and even a warning horn before mission control finally awakened them more than an hour late yesterday on the last leg of their wrap-up flight to the moon.

Eugene Cernan, Ronald Evans and Harrison Schmitt stirred at last at 5:14 p.m. Israel time.

While the astronauts were sleeping, Apollo 17 started accelerating toward the moon. Their landing craft was reported in good shape for tomorrow's descent into a mountain valley believed blanketed with ash from an ancient volcano.

The astronauts will brake into lunar orbit this evening.

Jane Fonda to wed

ROSFOS, Norway (AP). — Jane Fonda, the actress and anti-war campaigner, announced here yesterday she is engaged to be married to fellow-American Tom Hayden, 26-year-old member of the Chicago Seven and former leader of Students for a Democratic Society (S.D.S.).

Miss Fonda is 35.

6 held in Bir Zait

RAMALLAH. — Security forces arrested six members of a sports club at Bir-Zait near here over the weekend. No reason was given for the arrest. (INM)

Where is Martin Bormann?

In tomorrow's Jerusalem Post an Israel expert, Ya'acov Caroz, denies the truth of a recent sensational series of articles on Bormann in London's "Daily Express." That series, by an American writer, claimed Bormann was in South America, and had recently aided captives. A picture identification expert — who worked on the Eichmann case — says the "Daily Express" photo of the alleged Bormann taken in Argentina is a picture of another man. (See story — Page 4)

Ethiopian guards kill seven hijackers in jetliner drama

ADDIS ABABA. — Ethiopian officials said yesterday that they still had no indications to the motive for the hijack attempt of an Ethiopian Airlines jetliner over Addis Ababa on Friday in which all seven hijackers were shot dead by security guards aboard the plane.

They said the would-be hijackers, all in their 20s and apparently Eritreans, came from separate groups and were not members of any organized group. Two of the hijackers were women.

The eight injured passengers from the attempted hijack improved yesterday and doctors took two seriously wounded Americans off the serious list.

Twenty-nine of the passengers from the aircraft flew into Rome on Friday night. They included Britons, Americans, Frenchmen and Dutchmen.

A British couple described in Rome how they held down a hijacker thousands of feet above Addis Ababa until he was shot dead by a security guard aboard the Ethiopian Airlines plane. Six other hijackers were also shot dead in a furious gunbattle on board the plane, soon after it left Addis Ababa for Paris.

The jetliner landed safely at the Ethiopian capital with a hole blown in its side by a handgrenade and one engine out of action.

The couple were Mr. Duncan Mackintosh, 70, from Oakesy, Malmsbury, Wiltshire, a former oil company executive, and his wife Mary, 57.

The couple were part of a group of 14 British bird watchers who had been in Ethiopia on a special tour organized by Mr. Laurence Holloway, 38, from Bognor Regis. "The whole bloody episode was over in 20 minutes," Mr. Holloway told reporters.

Asked what he saw, Mr. Holloway replied: "Well, I saw a fellow killed beside me with a small calibre pistol. He had a grenade in one hand and a pistol in the other."

Of the hijacker shot next to him, Mr. Holloway said: "One of the guards pounced on him and shot him through the head several times... we were all very unnerved." He said the terrorists were everywhere in the plane.

"There were some at the back of the plane whom we could not see and some further forward. There was a certain amount of smoke and confusion, and some blood," Mr. Holloway said. (Reuter, UPI)

El Al may be grounded

Jerusalem Post Staff

El Al flights may be suspended entirely by the middle of this week unless some 500 maintenance technicians immediately end their two-week-old slowdown, a company spokesman said last night. The spokesman added there would be "serious delays" in the departures of all El Al flights today.

The management says the technicians are demanding a new contract in place of the labour agreement reached several months ago. The maintenance men, whose partial strike already caused disruptions in flight schedules on Friday, yesterday rejected a demand by the Histadrut's Trade Union Committee to return to normal work. The Histadrut Central Committee

U.N. motion 'basically biased'

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Government circles in Jerusalem last night described the U.N. resolution on the Middle East as "completely one-sided." While they admitted that the resolution as finally adopted on Friday did reflect the efforts of certain states — particularly from the E.E.C. — to introduce some balance into the original Egyptian-inspired draft, they asserted that it was still "basically biased."

The most important fact as far as Israel is concerned, the circles said, was the statement of the U.S. delegate after the vote declaring that Paragraph Eight would not affect U.S. policy. This paragraph — the most dangerous and damaging in Israel's eyes — "invites member states to avoid actions, including actions in the field of aid, that would constitute recognition of the occupation of the administered areas. The U.S. delegate, Mr. George Bush declared that this was directly opposed to U.S. aid policy and that it would not affect that policy.

The U.S. earlier suggested that this paragraph be put to a separate vote — but only 24 states supported the suggestion, with 64 opposing it and 34 abstaining. Mr. Bush said that he had the paragraph been voted on separately, the U.S. would have voted against it.

Informed observers in Jerusalem thought that Israel would not now declare itself no longer obligated by Security Council Resolution 242 of 1967. Earlier last week, when a more extreme draft was being circulated at the U.N., Israel warned that it would no longer be bound by the 1967 Council resolution if the General Assembly passed a resolution "distorting 242."

The observers stressed last night that they thoroughly agreed with U.S. Ambassador Bush, who said that "several paragraphs (of Friday's resolution) appeared calculated to upset the careful balance of 242," but they nevertheless believed that the draft "inviting" states to "refrain from assistance the aims of which are to sustain" the continued Israel occupation, Foreign Minister Abba Eban sent British Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home a special message urging him not to support the draft.

(Picture, page 3)

Sources in Jerusalem noted with some satisfaction that eight African states had abstained — despite the fact that the U.N. resolution was less extreme than the anti-Israel resolution passed by the Organization of African Unity in Rabat earlier this year by consensus. (U.N. vote — page 4)

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Golan	5-13	4-11
Nahariya	10-17	10-17
Safed	8-14	7-12
Haifa	—	15-20
Tiberias	8-17	8-17
Nazareth	11-19	10-19
Afula	3-21	6-20
Beisan	—	8-20
Shimon	13-16	8-14
Tel Aviv	10-18	11-18
Lod	9-18	8-18
Jericho	—	15-20
Gaza	11-20	11-19
Beerseba	7-17	13-19
Eilat	13-20	13-19
Tiran	16-24	11-21



Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir addressing the Histadrut Teachers Union central council, including its secretary Shalom Levin (left), in Tel Aviv on Friday. Mr. Sapir was trying to persuade the teachers not to strike.

Penthouse meeting was 'out to stop Dayan'

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
TEL AVIV.—Deputy Labour Party Secretary-General Mordechai Sussman yesterday charged that a recent meeting at the Tel Aviv penthouse of Deputy Premier Yigal Allon was "aimed against Moshe Dayan" and was part of a "Stop Dayan for Premier" plan.
Mr. Sussman was speaking on the weekly radio newscast. His statement came in the aftermath of a Labour Party row over the meeting at Mr. Allon's flat in the Ramat Aviv quarter of leaders of the former Mapai and Abduh Ha'avoda sections of the Labour Party. Heads of the former Raif wing were not invited.
This charge by Mr. Sussman was vigorously denied on the same programme by Labour Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadin. He said the meeting was not aimed at anyone "who might be a candidate for the premiership when the time comes."

MISCONSTRUED
Mr. Yadin reiterated his regret at having attended what he claimed was a social gathering whose purpose had been misconstrued. The meeting had been held to seek ways of persuading Mrs. Meir to stay on as Premier after the elections, he said.
Meanwhile, it is learned that Minister without Portfolio Israel Galili was invited but did not attend. Finance Minister Sapir was present for about a quarter of an hour.

Yadin (Histadrut) business and politics don't mix

Fire seriously damages Acre pre-fab plant

ACRE.—Some IL500,000 worth of damage was caused by a fire which broke out in the machine shop of the Trommsdorff pre-fab construction plant south of here on Friday night.
The owners said the plant would have to be shut down for about two weeks before operations could be resumed. The authorities are investigating the cause of the fire.

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV.—Histadrut-sponsored industry developed and prospered because politicians were not permitted to meddle in its daily operation, Mr. Asher Yadin, outgoing Secretary of Hevrat Ovdim, the Histadrut holding company, said here on Friday. He was addressing members of the Local Labour Council at the Brenner Club.
Political control at the upper level was assured by the fact that the Hevrat Ovdim governing committee was appointed by the Histadrut Executive, a political body. But "good business management does not fit well into a political hierarchy. When politics took precedence, Histadrut enterprises failed to do well in the competitive market, Mr. Yadin said.
He predicted "a difficult year" for labour relations "because we have not impressed on the workers that a higher standard of living depends not on the amount of money they win at the negotiation table but on productivity and organization."
He said that Mr. Sapir was right in proposing tax changes. "Taking 70 per cent tax on earnings of over IL1,500 a month must lead to an explosion on the part of the taxpayer."

Mr. Yadin, who took up the part of Kupat Holim director six weeks ago, said the Sick Fund has appointed an inquiry committee headed by Prof. Moshe Prywes to recommend organizational reforms. Prof. Jerry Morris, of London, has been asked to act as adviser to the committee.
He was aware, said the speaker, that "many, though not the majority" of Kupat Holim doctors received patients privately at home before directing them to Kupat Holim. "This happened when private practice was allowed instead of higher salaries the doctors asked for," Mr. Yadin added that there seemed to be little at present that could be done about it.

The sanction is in addition to their boycott of the fire brigade's new hydraulic ladder, which began on November 28.
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Mr. Harari added that the brigade's new IL500,000 hydraulic ladder had been gathering dust since the firemen placed it under the ban two weeks ago. That sanction was over the Municipality's failure to pay three men their full salaries, he said.

Sanctions by T.A. firemen

TEL AVIV.—Tel Aviv's firemen decided last night not to do any more maintenance work around the firehouse yard until the Municipality makes differential payments they say are due them.
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New sports centre for Haifa U.

HAIFA.—Haifa University is to get an Olympic sports centre, big enough not only to keep all its teachers and students fit but to handle Israel's Olympic teams in every sport but football.
The centre, the gift of a group of U.S. sportsmen, is due to start going up in the spring, and will include an Olympic-sized (50 by 21 metres) swimming pool, the first in the northern part of the country.
The donors are a Los Angeles group headed by Irvin Terry—a West Coast sportsman with large investments in professional athletics—his brother Sam Terry and William Weinberg. They have raised \$2.5m. for the project, which will be supplemented by a \$1m. Government grant for maintenance.
The University's acting president, Eliezer Ratafiel, said on Friday that Mr. Terry and his friends had been deeply shocked by the Munich massacre of Israel's Olympic sportsmen. Their decision on the gift had been clinched when they learned of the shortage of sports facilities in Israel in general and in the north in particular. The centre will be built on the north-east side of the campus, adjoining the students' dormitories now under construction there.
It has the approval of the National Parks Authority, the University's immediate neighbour, Mr. Ratafiel added.

T.A. Hapoel girls beat German V

Tel Aviv Hapoel women's basketball squad last night defeated the German champions Dusseldorf, 83-46, to reach the quarter-finals of the European Cup for Cupholders. The game was played at Shefayim. The leading scorers were Rachel Shevet with 18 points for Tel Aviv and Gisela Keizling with 22 points for Dusseldorf.

Terminal for chemical imports

HAIFA.—The port's new chemical terminal situated in the Kishon basin near the shipyard was inaugurated last night. A Soviet chemical tanker carrying 1,000 tons of liquefied ethylene for the petro-chemical industry berthed in the terminal built by the Port Authority.
So far IL5m. have been spent on it and another IL5m. are to be invested. The 200-dunam terminal is reserved for the import of liquefied chemicals of an inflammable or poisonous nature. Tankers of up to 10,000 tons can berth at the terminal which has a water depth of nine metres.

More arrests likely

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It is believed that the ring's Jewish members were unaware of the fact that the information they were ordered to gather was not intended for one Arab state or a single terrorist organization, but for all of them through a pool of information which the Arab countries share.
The arrest of Ehad Adiv, 26, struck kibbutz Gan Shmuel, his home, like lightning. Adiv was a student of Haifa University; he never made any secret of his extremist views, but that he should have agreed to go to Syria has stunned the kibbutz members. Many hope it will still turn out to be a mistake.
His parents were among the founders of the 45-year-old kibbutz. His father is the manager of an economic enterprise, his mother a psychologist. Most members take some comfort in the fact that young Adiv had left the kibbutz to settle in Haifa.

"What can one say about this? We called him Udi. He was born here, grew up here, was educated here and went through everything the other boys went through," kibbutz secretary Ran Cohen said on Friday. "He served in the Army like the others (as a paratrooper), returned home, stayed for two to three years and left."
Ehad Adiv enrolled at Haifa University and visited his family at the kibbutz from time to time. "His political extremism developed after he was released from the Army. But I want to add that it never went so far as to negate the State of Israel or to harm it. But what happened to him after he left the kibbutz, I don't know. The contacts stopped," Ran Cohen said.

The Haifa University Students Union held a committee meeting on Friday and condemned any act

against the security of the State. The meeting was held after two students were arrested for suspected membership in the spy ring, Ehad Adiv and Simon Radford. The committee expressed shock and asked that no doubt be entertained on the loyalty of the students.
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Boy, 16, knifed

HADERA.—A 16-year-old boy from Jir Zerka village near Binyamina was knifed to death yesterday afternoon. A 14-year-old fellow villager is being held.
Police say the victim, Mahmud Jaalouli, was killed near Moshav Beit Hanania when he and the other boy fell out over who would get to fish from a nearby stream. They added that they were taking all steps to ensure peace in the village. (Him.)

Deaf-mute held in stabbing of wife, 22

Jerusalem Post Reporter
NAZARETH.—A 25-year-old deaf-mute was arrested Friday morning on suspicion of stabbing and critically wounding his wife—a also a deaf-mute.
A neighbour found the young woman, Henne Alkashan, 22, lying in a pool of blood on Friday morning near the door of her flat in Upper Nazareth. She was taken to the Edinburgh Mission Hospital and underwent surgery. Her condition is described as grave. Police suspect that her husband, Abraham, had stabbed her with a knife during a quarrel.

MICHAEL SACHSE
The photograph of the dedication of the Harry Sacher Law Institute, reproduced on Friday, showed Mrs. Miriam Sacher and her son Michael.

In deep sorrow, we announce the death of my husband, our father, grandfather, and brother-in-law

MOSHE RA'AMI

on Friday, December 8, 1972.

The funeral will leave the Sanhedria Funeral Parlour for the Givat Shaul Cemetery, Jerusalem, today, Sunday, December 10 (5 Tevet 5732) at 1 p.m.

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A memorial meeting for

YURI GALANSKOV

murdered recently in a Soviet prison camp will take place in Beit Agron (Schaver Auditorium), Jerusalem on December 10, 1972, at 8:30 p.m.

Also, the first full public showing of an underground film shot in the U.S.S.R., featuring interviews with the leaders of the Human Rights Movement and Jewish Activists in the Soviet Union.

The meeting is presented by a group of immigrants from the Soviet Union.

(Simultaneous English translation.)

Teachers may file notice of dispute

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV.—Schools reopen today after the Hanukka holiday under the threat of a nationwide teachers strike in two weeks. The two big teachers unions are expected to declare a labour dispute after deciding to take "any action necessary"—from sanctions to a strike—to back up their pay claims. The unions decided this at separate meetings Thursday and Friday.
The two unions, scheduled to hold a joint meeting tonight, are the Histadrut's Teachers Union (elementary school) and the Secondary School Teachers Association. Each of them met with Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir before reaching their decision.
Both unions had been due to hold a joint session later on Friday but were delayed due to the length of the Teachers Union meeting that day.
The teachers want regrading that would raise their salaries 16 per cent over the next two years. The Government has agreed, but wants to stretch the rise over three years.

This is the only point separating the two sides.
Mr. Sapir said at the Friday meeting the Government accepts in principle the teachers' claim that they are slipping behind other professionals, but repeated the Education Ministry's offer of a two-step rise of seven per cent a year, with the remaining two per cent to be paid later. The teachers want the whole 16 per cent in the period of the contract, in two eight-per cent stages.
Mr. Sapir had told the teachers that with all the extras the Government offer really came to 43 per cent, but the teachers pointed out that this consisted largely of such items as the coming cost-of-living increase, which will be paid to all employees.
The last strike of high school teachers was in the winter of 1971. The six-week strike, which was supported by the elementary school teachers, achieved the regrading demands the teachers made at the time. Mr. Sapir said in a radio interview broadcast yesterday that he did not expect the teachers to strike this time. (Him.)

Sapir says teachers won't strike; hits 'present Histadrut style'

TEL AVIV.—Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir yesterday blamed what he called "the prevailing Histadrut style" for the current wave of strikes and labour disputes.
Speaking on Israel Radio's "Interview of the Month," Mr. Sapir also blamed opposition party leaders for indirectly stirring up the workers by their constant references to the Vered and Netivei Neft affairs.
Commenting on workers who "not only strike but threaten sanctions every day," Mr. Sapir singled out the ports workers who had made sure to hold their fire right until the start of the citrus season.
"I lay these strikes to the current style of the Histadrut," the Finance Minister declared. He said that he was not referring to any one individual, but added: "Not only do I reject the prevailing style in the Histadrut, I also reject part of the ideology which is being laid down there, including by representatives of the Labour Party."
As one example of this Histadrut style Mr. Sapir pointed to declarations that the ports workers demand everything they are demanding "because they're fighting for bread and not cake."
Mr. Sapir ascribed part of the blame for current labour unrest to a general relaxation in tension following the end of the War of Attrition in 1970. He said talk of such things as the Vered and Netivei Neft affairs from opposition leaders eager to move up the election date had increased unrest among workers. "To listen to them" (these leaders), Mr. Sapir declared, "you'd never know there were any defence problems."
At the same time, the Finance Minister said the picture of widespread labour unrest was a false one; strikes had cost no more work-days this year than last.

He did not believe the country's 45,000 teachers would strike as they had threatened. The teachers knew they could not get more. The teachers, after meeting with Mr. Sapir during the 24 hours preceding his interview, seem to have come to a different conclusion, since they are expected to declare a labour dispute today (see story above).
Meanwhile, the Labour Ministry's chief labour relations officer, Mr. Gideon Ben-Yisrael, complained in a separate weekend radio interview that he lacked authority to intervene in labour disputes when the employer is the Government itself.
The last two weeks of strikes were an illustration of this. The absence of adequate authority grew out of a "rather lame" compromise. Labour Minister Yosef Almog at the time proposed having the government put in the same position as any employer, with either the Minister himself or the labour relations officer to mediate disputes, but certain other Ministers had objected.
The proposal was now being restudied in the Ministry, Mr. Ben-Yisrael said, adding that after the past two weeks of labour unrest Mr. Almog would have to decide whether to bring it up again in the Cabinet. (Him.)

Prof. Soferman, of Ichilov, dies at 61

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA.—Professor Nadav Soferman, Medical Director of Tel Aviv Maternity Hospital, died of a heart attack at the Dan Carmel Hotel here on Thursday night. He was 61.
The medical convention on obstetrics and gynaecology which Prof. Soferman was attending here adjourned abruptly on Friday after holding a memorial assembly.
The coffin will lie in state in the Ichilov Hospital in Tel Aviv this morning from 10 to 11 a.m. The cortege will then leave for the Kiryat Shaul cemetery.
Born in Poland in 1911, Soferman was brought to this country in the following year. After matriculating from the Herzl Gymnasium, he studied medicine in Paris. He was appointed head of the maternity hospital in 1958 and also served as professor of obstetrics and gynaecology at the Tel Aviv University Medical School.
He is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter.

Moshe Ra'ami, former J.P. treasurer

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Moshe Ra'ami, former chief accountant of The Jerusalem Post, died in Jerusalem on Friday. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. today at the Sanhedria Funeral Parlour. Burial will be at the Givat Shaul cemetery.
Moshe Ra'ami was born in Russia in 1897 and came to this country in 1923. He first worked for the Zionist Executive and joined the staff of the then Palestine Post in 1935 as chief accountant. The position he held until his retirement in 1962.
As treasurer, he had the unenviable task of trying to keep the company solvent during its many financial tribulations. It was his unusually close connections and his own dedication that kept the banks and suppliers at bay, during the paper's darkest financial hours.
Moshe Ra'ami was an active member of the Hagana during the pre-State period, and also did special duty during the past 25 years. His first wife, Michal Berlin, who worked for the Keren Hayesod, was killed when the Jewish Agency buildings were blown up by terrorist bombs 25 years ago.
He is survived by his second wife, two daughters and seven grandchildren.

THE CHARLES WOLFSON CHARITABLE TRUST

The Charles Wolfson Charitable Trust has made a gift to Bar-Ilan University of £25,000 per annum for four years, which, together with an equal allocation from the Israel Government, will be utilized for the establishment of the Charles Wolfson Scholarship Endowment Fund.

The income from this fund will make a significant contribution to the solution of one of Israel's gravest social problems, by providing scholarships at Bar-Ilan University for underprivileged students, especially those from the Oriental Jewish communities.

Students receiving these important scholarships will be assured of a grant sufficient to cover their tuition fees, accommodation and full board for the complete course of studies at the University. In specially deserving cases, these scholarships will be granted to students at preparatory as well as at post-graduate levels.

The late Mr. Charles Wolfson was a great admirer of Bar-Ilan University, to which in his life-time he made a very substantial gift to endow the Hall of Humanities, which bears his name.

(Communicated)

The Egged Management wishes to announce

that the changes in the transport services in the San Martin, Jerusalem district, routes 4 and 18, will be put into effect next Sunday (and not today).





Foreign Minister Abba Eban, Israeli Ambassador Michael Comay, centre, and Bruno Pitterman of Austria, Chairman, seen at Socialist International meeting in Brown's Hotel in London yesterday. Mr. Eban arrived on Friday in London for a four-day visit during which he will meet with Foreign Secretary Alec Douglas-Home tomorrow and address the Socialist International. (AP radiophoto)

New travel documents to Jordan today

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
Arab residents of East Jerusalem and the administered areas may travel across the Jordan River bridges with permanent travel documents as of today.

The visa-like document is good for 12 months, renewable by returning here to have it stamped. Alternatively, a relative here may notify the Military Government office of the traveller's continued absence and the appropriate stamp will be entered in his file. Until now travellers were limited to two-week visits to Jordan.

The new documents were made available as of last week at post offices. A IL10 stamp is affixed to them after the traveller fills them out — the document must be filled out in Hebrew. It is presented at either Allenby Bridge, which serves Judea residents, or Danny Bridge, which serves Samaria residents.

The new documents will also be good for Gaza-bound Moslem pilgrims who had earlier received only a special 60-day travel permit

for the journey to Saudi Arabia. They entitle the bearers to a special travel allowance of 100 Jordanian dinars.

Meanwhile, the new travel arrangement, which is viewed as the most liberal measure to be taken under the five-year-old "open bridges policy," coincided with persistent rumours over the week-end that Jordan plans to impose restrictions on the movement of local Arabs crossing over to the East Bank. Jordan has already restricted the visits of its citizens to the West Bank to a maximum of two weeks, limiting their travel allowance to 50 dinars.

Patrol rescues three Lebanese in sinking boat

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent
An Israeli naval patrol early yesterday morning rescued the crew of a Lebanese fishing vessel, which was found sinking off Rosh Hanikra. The ship has been towed to Haifa, and the three-man crew are being questioned there.

The naval patrol found the Lebanese ship while on a routine patrol. The vessel had apparently run into engine trouble and was leaking water.

It is believed that the crew will be allowed to return to Lebanon as soon as their vessel has been declared seaworthy.

Commercial TV here 'inevitable'

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Commercial television here is as inevitable as the opening of a second TV channel, Broadcasting Authority Chairman Walter Eytan said here on Friday.

Speaking to the weekly luncheon of the Engineers Club, Mr. Eytan said the advertising could be kept under control so as not to overheat Israeli consumers into an inflation-producing spending spree.

A second channel, he estimated, would cost IL100m. — or IL200m. if it is decided to broadcast in colour. "In Jerusalem," Mr. Eytan added, "we already have a *de facto* second programme — Jordanian Television."

Some 25 per cent of TV set owners don't bother to pay their licence fees, he told the engineers. "We could send inspectors to check up at homes, but that wouldn't be very nice," he added, suggesting instead a public honesty campaign to shame feckishers into coming across.

Heavier overseas mailbag for Toy Fund

The Jerusalem Post Toy Fund's overseas mailbag is picking up now, though a lot of our old friends have not yet been heard from. Our week-end mailbag brought in IL\$60.40, bringing the total so far to IL\$3,504.20.

Just before we lit the last Hanukkah candles at our offices on Thursday night, Ditra Botknecht, aged 6½ of Ramat Eshkol, came in with her shopping bag filled with eight gifts, which she had chosen herself. Last year was the first time she had come, soon after her family had immigrated, and reports her mother, she has taken the Toy Fund to heart. As soon as Hanukkah came around she started getting her gifts ready.

Contributions are still urgently needed, for we are only half way through all our commitments. If it is easier, just send your cheques to: The Jerusalem Post Toy Fund, P.O.B. 81, Jerusalem.

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IL5 — In loving memory of my dear Brother Yehuda Ely Frumkin, Haifa.
\$1 — CNKGS, Brooklyn, N.Y.

P.L.O. man hurt in Paris blast

By JACK MAUDICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The Paris crime squad was yesterday investigating an explosion in which Mahmoud el Hamchari, the Palestine Liberation Organization's representative in France, was seriously injured when a stick of dynamite exploded at his Left Bank apartment. El Hamchari was alone in the flat when the blast occurred on Friday morning. Bleeding from abdominal wounds he staggered onto the landing where two workmen, who were painting the staircase, summoned medical help. Aides of El Hamchari at the Arab League office in downtown Paris where the P.L.O. envoy worked promptly accused Israeli agents of having planted the explosive at the victim's home. But police seem much more interested in evidence by his neighbours that Arab visitors called on him at all hours of the day and night carrying mysterious suitcases. P.L.O. sources here claimed El Hamchari was "not operational," but an "intellectual" whose principal mission was the publication of the bi-monthly bulletin "El Fatah." However, El Hamchari's Portuguese charwoman has told police that her duties were limited to his kitchen and the rest of the three-room apartment was off-limits to her.

El Hamchari, 33, is married to a French laboratory assistant named Marie-Claire. The couple have a 13-month old daughter, Aline. Mrs. Hamchari had just taken the child to a neighbourhood day-nursery when the dynamite stick exploded. A neighbour, Mrs. Gouin, said: "I knew at once that the explosion could only have come from the Arab's flat. Something like that was bound to happen sooner or later with all the comings and goings at his place." "A few weeks ago his wife called me and asked me to look on her document to see if there was a suspicious looking parcel. The couple received so many strange visitors that the other tenants decided to complain to the manager of the building." The police lean towards the theory that El Hamchari may have agreed to look after a parcel of explosives left by a member of Black September or another Arab extremist movement and have been the victim of a faulty detonation. Detectives believe it is unlikely that El Hamchari was himself making a bomb which went off by mistake. But they do not rule out this explanation. The painters who were working outside El Hamchari's flat reported that he did not receive any visitors on the morning of the explosion. To substantiate the theory of a plot against his life, a time-bomb device would have had to remain concealed in his home since the previous evening.

Police also say there is no link between the explosion and the arrest earlier this week of two armed Israelis a few hundred metres from a Hamchari's apartment. A police spokesman said: "These two men are common automobile thieves who had run away from Israel in order to evade military service." Ambassadors from Arab nations met at the Arab League office last night to approve an appeal to the French authorities to ensure the security of the Arab community here. Libyan Embassy charge d'affaires awzi el Gariani said in a press statement, "An atmosphere of Zionism has gripped France" recently. He said the Arab nations' quarters have received the traditional policy of France and its "principles of justice and equity by applying deliberately or involuntarily Zionist hoodlums who enter France illegally to carry out attacks."

Meeting of German-Israel Society Israel and Bonn seek 'constructive course'

By BRIAN ARTHUR, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — Speakers at the annual assembly of the German-Israel Society in Bonn made clear on Friday that ties between the two countries since Munich are still delicate but that both sides are striving to re-establish what Israel Ambassador Elishav Ben-Horin called a "constructive course." Hamburg Interior Minister Heinz Ruhnau defended as the "only possible choice" Bonn's decision last October 28 to release three surviving Arab Olympic killers in exchange for the passengers of a hijacked Lufthansa jet.

But the assembly of prominent German politicians and professionals overwhelmingly adopted a resolution calling on Chancellor Willy Brandt's government to press for broadly based international measures against terrorism, especially after Bonn's expected admission to the U.N. next year.

In particular, the resolution said Bonn is not absolved in future from itself taking "reasonable and appropriate steps against Arab states which refuse to move against terrorists using their territory for asylum or as a base of operations."

Mr. Ben-Horin told the privately sponsored society that over the years relations between Bonn and Israel had been "extended and deepened."

"I believe Bonn-Israel relations have become stronger, although recent months again show they remain sensitive," the Ambassador said.

He said: "We too share the hope that efforts on both sides will bring these relations back into the achieved constructive course." Mr. Ben-Horin said two recent messages from Chancellor Willy Brandt to Premier Golda Meir were positive steps in this direction and that Israel had also acted in "past days and weeks in various areas" to improve ties with West Germany.

Similar to Minister Ruhnau, Society President and Bonn State Secretary Heinz Westphal reaffirmed West Germany's apparent guidelines that the lives of innocent hostages have priority when terrorists use them to gain release of prisoners in German jails.

But Mr. Westphal also regretted that the Brandt government had not submitted a "clearly formulated demand" to Libya for extradition of the Munich murderers after they were set free on Libyan soil.

He said the Munich affair and its aftermath had led to a "low point" in relations between West Germany

Beduin girl, 8, killed playing with grenade

BEERSHEBA. — An eight-year-old Beduin girl was killed last Thursday when a hand grenade she picked up in a closed military area exploded. Two of her sisters were slightly injured by the blast.

Police say Aisha Suleiman el-Nasara and her sisters were grazing their father's sheep in a closed area used by the army as firing grounds. The grenade went off when the girl pulled the pin while playing with it.

Gunmen fire at Herzliya restaurant

HERZLIYA. — Several men pulled up in a car outside the Tameret restaurant in Herzliya Pituach at midnight Friday and fired a number of shots at the restaurant window, the owner said yesterday. Nobody was hurt and the men drove away.

Police are investigating. (Itim)

A TOTAL of IL\$300,000 was donated on Friday to the Israel Defence Forces by the "Paz," "Delek" and "Sonom" oil companies and by the Haifa Refineries, for a new cinema at the Rafidim camp in Sinai. The donation was made to the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf David Elazar, in a brief ceremony held at the Israel Petroleum Institute at Ramat Aviv.

Would-be Fatah gets 3 years

HAIFA. — A young man from Katz Kari in the Little Triangle who crossed into Lebanon hoping to join the Fatah was sentenced to three years by the District Court here on Friday. Ahmed As'ad Hadad Masalha, 19, was returned by the Lebanese in October after 17 days of questioning.

Masalha admitted to Judge Emanuel Slonim that he crossed into Lebanon at the beginning of October by climbing over a fence near Rosh Hanikra. He was arrested by Lebanese soldiers and taken to an army camp, where he told his questioners he wanted to join a terrorist group.

In passing sentence, Judge Slonim stressed the gravity of the offence, especially in view of the fact that Masalha admitted giving his Lebanese interrogators information. The judge recalled that the youth had first shown his hostility in 1970 when he joined a group of Katz boys that sent threatening letters and tore up an Israeli flag on Independence Day of that year. That offence had brought Masalha a IL\$50 fine and a five-month suspended sentence.

'Penny wise, pound foolish' smugglers caught at Lod

LOD AIRPORT. — "Now I've seen everything," exclaimed a customs inspector as police here led away a middle-aged Israeli couple on Thursday night, shortly after they were caught trying to smuggle some IL\$200,000 worth of U.S. and Israeli currency into the country.

What was so unusual about someone trying to smuggle in money, an "Itim" reporter wanted to know. The fact that they would have got away with it if they hadn't have been so reluctant to pay a few pounds duty for some cartons of cigarettes, the customs man said. The couple had returned by BOAC from a visit to their native country "somewhere in the east." Shabbily dressed, they aroused suspicion when they said they had nothing to declare. A routine search of their suitcases, however, uncovered ten cartons of cigarettes. Told they would have to pay duty for the cigarettes, the man protested heatedly, saying he didn't have enough cash left. He asked if he could leave the cigarettes behind, and return a day or two to pay the tax. The customs men almost agreed to this reasonable request when one of them noticed suspicious bulges in the couple's overcoats. They asked the couple to remove the coats. Inside the linings was IL\$20,000 and more than \$35,000 native currency "in the cash." (Itim)

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'Life' to cease publication

NEW YORK (Reuter). — "Life" magazine, which brought the horrors of war and the joys of everyday living to millions of readers, will cease publication on December 29, it was announced on Friday.

Time Incorporated, which published "Life" for 36 years, said that the magazine had been losing money for the last few years and that projections for 1973 and 1974 showed it would lose even more.

The announcement brings to an end a revolutionary era of photo-journalism. There had been picture magazines before "Life," but "Life" revolutionized the technique.

Created by American publishing giant Henry Luce in 1936, "Life" also introduced the magazine picture essay. Previous picture magazines had just been collections of photos, but Luce used them to tell stories, with beginnings, middles and ends.

France told to stop nuclear tests

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — The General Assembly's Decolonization Committee on Friday called on France to stop further nuclear tests in the Pacific.

The vote, 82 in favour, four against, and 13 abstentions, came on a resolution that deals with the future of 17 remaining island colonial territories around the world, many of them in the Pacific.

France was joined by Britain, Portugal and South Africa in voting against the resolution.

Two skulls found near where Bormann 'buried'

BERLIN (UPI). — Police said on Friday that a discovery by construction workers might clear up the 27-year-old mystery of Martin Bormann, Adolf Hitler's deputy, who disappeared in the ruins of Berlin.

"We are not too optimistic because there have been so many false alarms in the past," a West Berlin police spokesman said.

The workers, laying a cable, found two skulls and a thigh bone in the ruins of the Lehrter railway station where Bormann was reported buried.

Police asked the prosecutor's office in Frankfurt to send Bormann's dental records here to check them with the skulls. "We have no reason to believe one of the skulls belonged to Bormann but we are making the check because of the location of the find," the police spokesman said.

Hitler Youth leader Arthur Axmann testified after the war

that he saw Bormann lying dead in that area near a blow-up tank in which he tried to escape through the Russian lines to the west. A retired postman told justice officials he buried two Nazis there after the fall of Berlin and one of them could have been Bormann. But searches in the station in 1964 and 1965 failed to uncover any clues to Bormann.

Bormann was last seen alive when he left the Chancellery bunker after Hitler killed himself there on April 30, 1945 as the Russians closed in on it. Since then Bormann has been sighted in unconfirmed reports as often as the Loch Ness monster.

The latest report, printed in the London "Daily Express," says he is alive and a prosperous businessman in Latin America. (This report is analysed and denied in an article appearing in tomorrow's Jerusalem Post.)

Blast in explosives factory kills two

MUIDEN, Holland (Reuter). — Two Moroccans were killed and 19 other persons were injured by an explosion in Holland's main explosives factory here Friday.

The dead men were named by police as Amar Idriss Driz, 26, and Ahmed Mohammed Benhad, 39. They had been employed by the factory since 1970.

10,000 employees of EEC to begin nine-day strike

BRUSSELS (AP). — The 10,000 personnel of the European Economic Community (EEC) institution early yesterday decided on a nine-day strike beginning tomorrow.

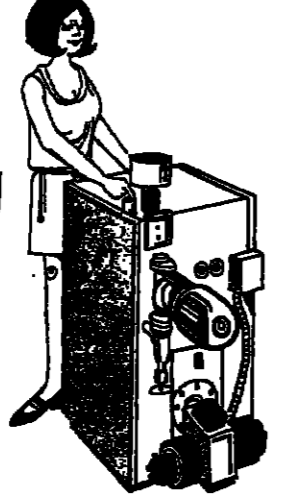
It will paralyze activities of all the community's institutions including the European Parliament, which is yet to give advice on some 31 rulings before the Council of Ministers can make final decisions.

It will be the longest strike in the Community's history and it comes at an awkward moment with preparations for a new 13-man executive commission and much paperwork pending concerned with the entry of Britain, Denmark, and Norway.

Cuido Feitor, one of the personnel's trade union leaders, said 27 hours of discussions have been held over the past week on salary matters. He said that the council had been unable to make up its mind and did not keep its word.

BUGS. — The soldiers of a Vienna army camp have lost their battle against the barracks bugs. The men used all the means at their disposal to rid their room of bugs. But five soldiers were hospitalized with bites. The army has now hired a civilian firm of pest killers.

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U.S. defeated on terrorism treaty in U.N.

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — The U.S. conceded defeat on Friday for its own proposal for a treaty against international terrorism in early 1973. It told U.N. members they would have to answer to world public opinion on the issue.

"We could not get the Algerian representative and his colleagues to accept one single word of language on international legal measures," the U.S. spokesman added.

V. Krishnasadan of Zambia's Foreign Ministry spoke on behalf of the Arab-backed resolution for studies by a special U.N. committee.

Everyone is against hijacking, he said, but world public opinion includes "that part of the world not fortunate enough to travel on airplanes, that part of the world condemned permanently to live in misery and despair" under colonial regimes. The Zambian-Algerian resolution covers all terrorism, including that of colonial governments.

The Arab and many other African delegations have protested that the terrorist issue is being directed against the Palestinian terrorists and other liberation movements. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim put the question on the U.N. agenda three days after Palestinian terrorists killed 11 Israelis at the Munich Olympic games last September.

The Italian-authored compromise is co-sponsored by Britain, Japan, Australia, Belgium, Costa Rica, Canada, New Zealand, Honduras, Luxembourg and Nicaragua.

U.N. votes against aid implying Israel rights in 'areas'

UNITED NATIONS. — The General Assembly on Friday criticized Israel's "occupation of Arab territory" in a resolution inviting all nations to withhold aid from Israel which could imply recognition of the occupation.

Israel said it would treat the resolution as "a spurious document." The Assembly voted 88-7 with 31 abstentions to approve the resolution, sponsored by 20 "non-aligned" countries and toned down with the approval of its Arab drafters in hopes of picking up Western European and Latin American support.

The U.S. abstained. To counter an Israeli threat to withdraw its support and adherence to a 1967 Security Council resolution on the Middle East the Arab sponsors and the Arab powers agreed to put into the Assembly resolution the actual wording of the 1967 resolution.

Israel Ambassador Yosef Tekoah said just before the vote that the resolution was a "characteristic reflection of the failings and travesties of U.N. debate on the Middle East."

"Israel cannot allow itself to be engulfed by numbers. The mechanics of votes cannot be permitted to overwhelm the interests of the search for peace. The resolution

before us does not serve these interests," Tekoah said.

"Israel will, therefore, vote against it and treat it as a measure bearing a spurious document."

The resolution:

— Deplored Israel's failure to comply with the Council resolution and repeated the exact language of that measure which called for Israel's withdrawal "from territories" occupied in the 1967 war and urged "secure and recognized boundaries" for all Middle East countries.

— Asked Israel to declare publicly acceptance of "the principle of non-annexation of territories through the use of force."

— Declared changes made by Israel in the occupied territories null and void and invited states "to avoid actions, including actions in the field of aid, that could constitute recognition of Israel occupation." (The earlier version of a resolution tabled by non-aligned states would have recommended a ban on assistance that could "sustain" the Israel occupation. Some members felt this came too close to a "secure and recognized boundaries" recommendation, regardless of the fact that only the Security Council may impose an embargo.)

— Recognized the rights of Palestinian refugees as an "indispensable element" for Middle East peace.

— Asked the Security Council to "take all appropriate steps" for carrying out fully the 1967 resolution.

Expressed full support for the peace efforts of Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim and his special Middle East peace envoy, Gunnar V. Jarring.

Those who voted against (7): Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Nicaragua and Uruguay.

Abstaining (31): Albania, Australia, Barbados, Brazil, Canada, Central African Republic, China, Denmark, El Salvador, Fiji, Gabon, Ghana, Guatemala, Haiti, Iceland, Ivory Coast, Laos, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Philippines, Singapore, South Africa, Sweden, Togo, United States and Venezuela.

Absent (8): Algeria, Democratic Yemen, Iraq, Khmer Republic, Libya, Portugal, Swaziland and Syria.

U.S. Ambassador George Bush made it clear the U.S. would not cut off aid to Israel. The U.S. abstained from voting on the resolution after the Assembly defeated 85-24, with 34 abstentions, its bid for a separate vote on the reference to aid.

"This paragraph is directly contrary to United States policy on the matter of assistance," Bush declared, "and cannot effect our attitude." He said the resolution "upset the careful balances" of the 1967 Security Council decision and the Assembly could not expect that it would establish a new basis for peace in the Middle East. (UPI, AP, Reuter)

Cairo editor claims Israel hasn't said what it wants

CAIRO (UPI). — While the Arabs have clearly announced their policy regarding the Middle East crisis, Israel has continued to remain ambiguous and has never announced its real intention, newspaper editor Ihsan Abdel-Kodous said yesterday.

"The whole world, including the big powers, does not know what Israel really wants," Abdel-Kodous said in his weekly column in the newspaper "Al-Khbar El Yom."

"Israel has reached a position of capability of subjugating the minds of people and of making them equate the Arab attitude with aggression," Abdel-Kodous said.

He said while the Arabs always clearly said what their policies were, "Israel was clever enough, and never said anything specific, but was satisfied with generalities."

Abdel-Kodous said he was satisfied with the course of recent discussions at the U.N. General Assembly, but "I would have preferred if they had concentrated on one question — what does Israel want?"

Mohammed Hassanain Heykal, editor of the newspaper "Al-Ahram," said Friday that Soviet officials were so "hurt" by Egypt's expulsion of the Russian military advisers that they failed to raise the Arab-Israeli question in detail

with White House Aide Henry Kissinger when he visited Moscow last September.

Heykal said the expulsion of the advisers, ordered by President Anwar Sadat last July, reduced the "Soviet leadership's commitment to us."

In his regular Friday editorial, Heykal said the "Middle East crisis should make a sure movement forward within the next six months, or it will lose its place on the political map of the new age."

Moroccan students on 72-hour strike

RABAT (Reuter). — Moroccan University students were called out Friday night on a 72-hour strike to protest against the alleged brutality of security forces who broke up a teacher-student demonstration here.

The call followed a student assembly convened by the National Union of Moroccan Students.

The union said 12 students needed hospital treatment after Friday's clash with the security forces.

The demonstrating teachers and students were demanding the release of 48 political prisoners on a hunger strike in Casablanca.

The prisoners, in custody for more than eight months on suspicion of subversion, initiated the hunger strike to improve their conditions.

U.N. rejects credentials of South Africa

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — The United Nations General Assembly Friday adopted an African move to reject the credentials of South Africa.

The vote was 65 in favour of the African resolution 40 against with 21 abstentions.

It came after an appeal by South African Ambassador Carl van Hirschberg "not to tamper with the very tools of international cooperation."

The legal implications of the African move would be minimal, U.N. sources said.

In 1970 the Assembly had also voted to reject the South African delegation's credentials but a legal opinion from U.N. legal counsel said it did not mean that the South African delegation would be deprived of its right to take part in debates and vote.

The Africans were defeated in the U.N. Credentials Committee two weeks ago when that body outvoted their attempt at stripping South Africa of its credentials.

They brought up the issue again when the Credentials Committee's report came before the Assembly with an amendment that would have the Assembly approve the credentials of all delegations "except with regard to the credentials of the representatives of South Africa."

Car bombed in feud of Croats, Serbs; man killed

BRISBANE (AP). — American businessman Thomas Patrick Enright, 45, was killed instantly on Friday when a bomb blew up his car on a quiet suburban street, police reported. Authorities said Enright was on a three-week vacation and planned to return to the U.S. yesterday to bring his wife back to live in Australia.

The car was parked outside an apartment building occupied by Enright's son, who recently joined the Queensland Police Force, and adjacent to the Serbian Orthodox Church, which was holding its annual meeting.

A church member said there had been two threats against the church in the last two months. Rival factions of Serbs and Croats have caused trouble in Melbourne and Sydney in recent years, but so far there has been no violence in Brisbane, on Australia's east coast.

Jetliner hits houses near airport; 46 die

CHICAGO (Reuter). — A United Airlines jetliner plunged into a row of houses as it came in to land at Chicago's Midway Airport on Friday, killing 46 persons aboard. The Boeing 737, with 55 passengers and a crew of six, sheared off the roofs of several houses before it came to rest in a street in Chicago's bustling South Side.

The 15 survivors scrambled or were pulled from the twisted wreckage in the moments before the plane and a house burst into flames. Every available ambulance and fire engine raced to the scene, five kms. from the airport.

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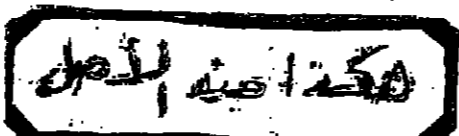
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Dearth of goals in National Soccer League

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A new National League record was set up yesterday in that only seven goals were scored by the 16 teams in the second division in "best" the eight goals of last week. Four of the eight games ended in 0-0 draws.

Hakoah's Zvi Farjas was injured early in the game and was far from his best, and later in the game was booked for the 4th time this season. It will mean an automatic two-week suspension for the Hakoah forward.



Zion Turjeman heads past the outstretched arms of Beersheba Hapoel's goalie, to score the second of Jerusalem Hapoel's three goals. (Ami Rubinger)

Ali-Bugner in Vegas next year

LONDON (UPI). — Muhammad Ali will fight European champion Joe Bugner of Britain in Las Vegas next February, the former world heavyweight champ's legal adviser Bob Arum said yesterday.

Gunners down Spurs 2-1 Halfway stage reached in English soccer season

LONDON (UPI). — Two international stars were sent off yesterday and pacemaking Liverpool led their lead at the head of Division One cut to two points as the English soccer season reached the halfway stage.

chester United, without George Best again, suffered a 2-0 defeat against Stoke. The attendance of 41,841 made United the first British club to top the half-million mark this season — after only 11 home games and despite the team's dismal form.

SOCCER RESULTS

Table with columns for National League, State Cup 4th round, and various match results including Hakoah vs Beersheba Hapoel, Tel Aviv Hapoel vs Marmorek Hapoel, etc.

Haifa refs. strike against colleague

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Haifa football referees went "on strike" yesterday as a protest against a Tel Aviv referee, caught in a smuggling attempt by the customs at Lod, but "cleared" for refereeing by the National Referees Association.

BASKETBALL Jabbar in great form

MILWAUKEE (AP). — Kareem Abdul-Jabbar grabbed 17 rebounds Friday night to set up Milwaukee's fast break and the Bucks romped to a 124-91 National Basketball Association victory over the Golden State Warriors.

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open attacking football. This was much more like the Netanyahu Maccabi of two seasons ago, though they faced tough opposition. The all important goal came in the 50th minute when Shiraga Bar made a solo run beating three Jaffa players before cracking in a shot from 14 metres.

VISOKER IN FORM

International goalkeeper Yitzhak Visoker was the hero of Petah Tikva Hapoel in a 0-0 draw against Haifa Hapoel. Visoker was at the top of his form and made two brilliant saves from Abba Ghidin in the 29th and 39th minutes.

Kalovsky and Heller win tennis titles

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Danny Kalovsky and Ronit Heller yesterday won the major 18-and-under singles titles of the first Hanoekka National Junior Tennis Championships at the Hapoel Courts here.

Kalovsky and Heller win tennis titles

who had earlier caused the tournament's biggest upset by edging out second seed Roger Zeitlin 4-6, 6-3, 7-5.

M.C.C. IN STRONG POSITION

INDIA (UPI). — A workman-like performance by opener Barry Wood put the touring M.C.C. team in a strong position at the end of the first day's play in the three-day match against Central Zone yesterday.

RUGBY All Blacks win tough game

BRADFORD (UPI). — The New Zealand All Blacks rugby team held off a determined effort by the North Eastern Counties yesterday for a hard-earned 9-3 victory.

RUGBY All Blacks win tough game

The Counties' forwards provided unexpectedly skilful opposition to the All Blacks pack, the tourists frequently had their scrum disrupted and with their favourite blind-side raids frustrated, looked bereft of ideas.

CAESAREA GOLF

CAESAREA. — Yesterday's Betterball Medal Competition was won by Mr. Ishikawa and Mr. Kishimoto, both of the United Nations, and Alexander Goldberg and Mark Stasz, both of Caesarea, with 133.

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Japan votes today TANAKA SEEKS SUPPORT FOR CHINA POLICY

TOKYO (UPI). — Japan holds a general election today with Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka asking the people to endorse his policies of recognizing China and scattering the factories now concentrated in Japan's big cities.

At stake will be all 491 seats in the lower house of Japan's parliament. As in England, the party with a majority in the lower house controls the government.

The Liberal-Democratic Party (LDP), which Tanaka leads, has won every general election since Japan got back her independence in 1952. Surveys by Japan's big newspapers all say LDP will win again, but with a few seats shaved from its big majority in the lower house.

The election is dominated by the personality of Tanaka, whom public opinion polls say is Japan's most popular Prime Minister since World War Two. A farm boy who never got beyond the sixth grade in school, he made a fortune in the construction business, and then fought his way to Japan's top political job. He took over the Shusho Kantei, the drab official residence of Japanese prime ministers, in July.

FOUR FRAGMENTED

When Emperor Hirohito dissolved the lower house Nov. 13, the LDP carried 287 seats, 51 more than the 246 needed for a majority.

Opposition is fragmented among four parties. The Japan Socialist Party held 87 seats, the KOMEI (Clean Government) Party 47, the Democratic Socialist Party 29, and the Japan Communist Party 14. There were 14 vacancies and three seats were held by independent candidates.

Partly as a result of soaring election costs, there are only 895 candidates for the 491 seats, the lowest number for any post-war election. Only the LDP, with 898 candidates, has entered enough to win an independent majority.

LDP is basically a party of businessmen and farmers. It rules Japan with business-oriented policies at home, and cooperation with the U.S. in foreign affairs.

YOUTH VOTE

About 74.15 million Japanese, 20 and over, will be eligible to cast ballots. Approximately 50 per cent of them will be persons 40 and younger who matured in the post-war era. In all previous elections, voters who grew up in the pre-war era have dominated. By 1970, when the next election is due, they will be a minority.

The youth vote has senior politicians of all parties worried. Many, like former Prime Minister Eisaku Sato, 72, have changed their hair and dress styling, tending toward longer locks, coloured shirts and wide neckties.

Tanaka's LDP has made the panda its symbol, to keep the voters reminded that the Prime Minister recognized China, a move applauded by the Japanese public. LDP's selection of the panda stems from Chinese Premier Chou En-lai's gift of two pandas to a Tokyo zoo as a gesture of friendship.

The Democratic Socialist Party has a frog as its symbol, hopping in and out of its TV commercials. In Japanese, the word for frog, "Kaeru," is the same as the word for change.

The election will not change the limited role of women in Japanese politics. Only 495 of the 495 candidates are women. Before parliament was dissolved, women held only six seats in the lower house.

PORTRAIT OF A WILDCAT STRIKER

By AVI Z. BENYAMIN

His name isn't really Haim. It might be Baruch, or Rafi, or Hattalyahu. Recently though, he's been in the headlines a lot, as the "wildcat" striker, the man who has been ruining our economy. Cabinet Ministers have annoyed him, and have been annoyed by him. The head of the Histadrut has explained that Haim doesn't really understand the agreements signed in his behalf. Cartoonists have shown him strangling the country. And so it goes.

But, before we condemn Haim so much, maybe we should try to understand him. Haim lives in a small 2-room flat on the outskirts of the city, in a district called Katamon B. C. or D or Hadar Yosef, or Shikun Darom. His home was built in the early 1950s, part of the mass building of immigrant houses at the time. Then, he was glad to move in. Working hard at a number of jobs, learning meanwhile as well, Haim has gradually moved up the wage ladder to a top, non-professional position. He's a technician. One of the men who helps keep the country running smoothly.

Working for a government ministry, Haim has never earned an extravagant income. Nevertheless, he has kept his family well. Two children in high school, and a third in the last year of public school, make it difficult for Haim to save much money. Nevertheless, he did join a savings programme six or seven years ago when his first child was born, and by diligently putting away small sums, he has a tidy nest egg saved up.

It's difficult for the children, who have to share one bedroom between them. Haim would like to move to a larger flat. He would also like to own a car to take his family on Shabbat outings, but his only hope of this lies with the weekly Sportoto or Mifal Hapayis. Adding up his savings, Haim spoke to his bank manager about the possibility of getting a loan or a mortgage, and then started looking for a larger flat.

Anything worth moving into was way beyond Haim's means. A score of years of dedicated work, and Haim cannot afford a three-room flat. His wife suggests that, perhaps, he could enclose their mini-balcony, making it into a mini-bedroom instead, a separate sleeping alcove for one child. So Haim explores the possibility, makes arrangements with a contractor, and gets the necessary permits.

A meager supply of materials is delivered. Then the contractor shows up, and tells Haim that the supplies cost much more than they had a month ago. He has to raise the price 20 per cent.

Meanwhile, Haim has got a promotion and a higher wage, at work. He is bringing home more money than ever before. Yet, his wife tells him, she has had to cut down on the amount of meat she buys. She is spending more, and getting less.

Haim has neighbours who have always earned more or less the same as himself. One

works for a government-owned company, another for a bank, also publicly owned, a third for one of the Histadrut enterprises. One neighbour buys a flat elsewhere. He explains to Haim how he has got loans from his place of work to enable him to do so. Another buys a car. He was able to borrow the money to buy the car from his employer because he has started receiving a car allowance, 1,000 kilometers a month at 30 ag. per kilometre.

Choice cuts

Haim's wife notes that the neighbours' wives buy choice cuts of meat. One explains her husband now gets a representation allowance, another that her husband gets a 13th month's salary, a third that her husband's place of work now provides him with clothing. Haim is more money for the food budget.

In terms of the wage scale, as Haim learns while filling out his TOTO form at the local kiosk, he is doing as well, and even better, than his neighbours. But they have more money. Municipal employees in his city get free high school education for their kids. Newspaper staff tell him about the privileges members of the bus cooperatives enjoy. Why, they say that Egged even has its own tailoring department to make suits for its members. Haim hasn't bought a suit since he was married.

The mini-balcony is closed in. It winds up costing 40 per cent more than the original price, and this tiny space just big enough for a junior

bed, eats up over half of Haim's savings.

When he lived in a ma'abara, Haim never complained. He was happy when he moved into his little flat, and he and his wife have worked hard to make a home out of it. Yet, when his two children in high school want to go on a school trip, he has to draw money out of his savings account to pay for it. Their school-mates, or some of them, have phones; he could never afford one. True, as a government employee he would only have to pay 50 per cent of the bill, but he hasn't the funds to take advantage of this perk.

His wife isn't only complaining because she is able to buy less and less with more money, but also because other wives do have more money to buy more. Why, she asks Haim, don't you get the same money as Yitzhak or Zvi? Haim asks himself the question. He asks it of his co-workers.

The result is known. Haim and his co-workers become wildcat strikers. In reply to their demands a cabinet minister asks if Treasury employees should get free money. Yet, did Haim really ask for anything more than what others are getting? Did he ask for exorbitant funds, or is he only trying to get back to the same place in the line where he was a few years ago, when he did earn the same as Yitzhak and Zvi?

Is Haim guilty of causing the economic morass around him? Or is he a victim yelling "help!" in the only way he can?

Husband can't use estranged wife's property

The High Court of Justice party discharged an order nisi calling upon the Jerusalem Rabbinical Court to show cause why its decision should not be declared *ultra vires*.

When the marriage between the petitioner and the second respondent proved unsuccessful, the latter requested the intervention of the Jerusalem Rabbinical Court for the purpose of restoring marital relations between them. The second respondent also asked the Rabbinical Court to restrain the petitioner from leaving the country and also to attach her furniture, chattels in their apartment and the car registered in her name.

The Rabbinical Court complied with the latter application despite the petitioner's Counsel's objection that they had no jurisdiction to do so.

The petitioner thereupon petitioned the High Court of Justice and was granted an order nisi. On the return day, Mr. D. Avi-Yitzhak appeared for the petitioner and Dr. I. Kovo for the second respondent.

Justice Cohn, who delivered the decision of the High Court, first considered whether the Rabbinical Court had the jurisdiction to order the petitioner's property to be attached. The respondent had argued, he noted, that the petitioner's property was meant for the use of the family as a whole and was thus relevant to an action for restoration of amicable domestic relations, which in turn was a matter of marriage and thus came within the exclusive jurisdiction of the rabbinical courts.

However, held Justice Cohn, in dismissing this argument, section 2 of the Women's Equal Rights Law, 1951, provides that "a married woman shall be fully competent to own and deal with property as if she were unmarried," and this means that a married woman is entitled to decide that she does not wish her

property to be part and parcel of the joint household, neither her husband nor any court being entitled to prevent her from doing so. As to attaching her property, this may be done only to the extent to which her property could have been attached had she been single; that is, in order to secure her lawful debts. The respondent, however, had not claimed that the petitioner was in debt to him. He had argued, continued Justice Cohn, that he was entitled, as a member of the family, to use the petitioner's property and this argument was repugnant to section 2 of the Women's Equal Rights Law, which, in accordance with the High Court decision in the Sides case (S.T.1/50 P.D. 5/1023), abrogates the institution of *nieches melech*, thereby depriving a husband of the right to enjoy the fruits of, or to use, his wife's property.

Nor, continued Justice Cohn, could he accept the contention that restoration of marital relations is a "matter of marriage" within the exclusive jurisdiction of the rabbinical courts and that, therefore, these courts had the power to attach the property of wives. For he held, while it is true that rabbinical courts do have the power to attach property within the framework of matters which come within their jurisdiction, the decision of the High Court of Justice in the Sides case removed the property of women — and a husband's, or family's, right to the use thereof — from the category of "matters of marriage," and it could not be restored to that category through the back door

of attachment. In other words, he continued, the Women's Equal Rights Law denies the husband any right to use his wife's property against her will and vests the married woman with the right to deal with her property as though she were single — and thus implicitly denies the courts the power to do anything which would restore the husband's cancelled right and frustrate the right vested in the married woman. The attachment order in the present case had, therefore, been *ultra vires*.

Justice Cohn then went on to stress that everything he had held concerning a wife's property applied to the property of a wife who refused to place it at the disposal of her husband (or of the "family"), and not to the property of a wife who agreed, or undertook, of her own free will, to place her property at his disposal, or that of the "family." Nor, he added, did the same rule apply to a husband's property which it was very possible, might be at the disposal of the wife, and the "family," by virtue of the secular or religious law, with or without his consent. The married woman's consent to the use of her property by the "family," on the other hand, he continued, created a cause of action allowing of its enforcement, not because of any law entitling her husband to enjoy the fruits of her property and not because of the marriage laws in general, but by virtue only of the doctrine of contract.

After holding that the attachment order against the petitioner's pro-

erty was invalid for want of jurisdiction, Justice Cohn went on to consider the question of the order restraining the petitioner from leaving the country. The Rabbinical Court had stated, he noted, that it had issued this order so as to ensure the petitioner's presence in the country when the respondent's action for restoration of marital relations was heard and not because they wished to force the petitioner to return to her husband, even temporarily. The petitioner had rightly argued, on the other hand, that a court cannot force a wife, by way of an order for restoration of marital relations, or any other order, to return to her husband and live with him.

He himself, he held, had after some considerable hesitation come to the conclusion that, unlike the attachment order, the order restraining the petitioner from leaving the country did not raise any question of jurisdiction. For this was not a matter which was regulated in an express law making any conflicting arrangement *ultra vires*. It was a general procedural practice for ensuring the presence of a party at court proceedings. In this connection, therefore, the order nisi should be made absolute, he held.

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Lasers not the answer

By Macabee Dean
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HERZLIYA. — Prof. R. Stein, head of the Eye Department of the Sheba Medical Centre, last week stirred up a hornet's nest when he expressed very pessimistic views about the success of treatment of ailments of the retina of the eye due to diabetes. He was addressing the International Symposium on Metabolic Eye Diseases which wound up its scientific sessions last Thursday at the Sharon Hotel.

Prof. Stein reported that the results he had observed in Israel had been extremely disappointing; and those patients who had gone abroad for the same laser operation had returned with no better results.

He sharply questioned if the \$30,000 recently expended to buy such a laser machine could not have been better used. And he advised waiting until definite long-range results were in before continuing to praise "this latest innovation in medicine."

HATES REPORTERS

Covered by your Jerusalem Post Reporter afterwards for more details, Prof. Stein said happily: "I hate reporters, and I won't talk to a person I hate."

After several physicians had rebutted Prof. Stein's statements, Professor Haskel M. Haddad, of the New York Medical College, one of the moving spirits behind the present symposium, took the microphone.

Prof. Haddad tried to put the discussion on an even level, "asking that lasers might be the latest invention, but they were certainly not the latest word and entire answer" in treating ailments of the retina due to diabetes. The cases for treatment should be carefully selected to insure the best result for the laser operation.

He added that lately he had been "using large doses of aspirin" to treat this disease, and the preliminary results seemed to be very encouraging.

Bid to get children to read

By Yacov Ardon
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Of Israel's population of about 600,000 in the 8 to 17 age group, only ten per cent are readers of weeklies for children and adolescents. An effort should be made by parents, teachers and librarians to increase readership, Mr. Ya'acov Ashman, editor of a children's weekly, said in the opening address at a two-day symposium on "Problems of Children and Youth Literature," held last week at the Haifa University.

"Children's papers are an important educational tool... it introduces the young to the reading habit... we must protect that tool and not take it for granted, just as we have taken our beaches for granted, only to realize that they were threatened by pollution."

OVERFLOW AUDIENCE

Speaking to an overflow audience whose size surprised the symposium organizers, Mr. Ashman warned parents that permissiveness with regard to their children's reading habits was out of place. "Somehow they are afraid to be regarded as old-fashioned if they try to persuade their children to read and to protect them against the many temptations to avoid it," Mr. Ashman said.

The first Hebrew paper for the young was published in Jerusalem 120 years ago under the name of "Small World" (*Olam Katan*) by Eliezer Ben Yehuda, Grawsky and others. It ran to seven editions and was suspended after a year. Today three children's papers are regularly published: Davar Lyeledim, Mishmar Lyeledim and Ha'aretz Shebanu. Their quality "stands out in comparison to the western world; increasingly dominated by picture stories, with captions of one line, and the comics. In the Communist countries, however, children's papers and literature are highly regarded as invaluable educational instruments."

INITIATIVE

The symposium was organized by the University's School of Education and the Ministry of Education and Culture, and directed by Dr. Adir Cohen, a lecturer specializing in children's literature. On the panel were writers, teachers, pedagogues and artists. The audience was similarly composed and included many students. The director of the Education Centre, Dr. Moshe Rhotot, explained the University hoped to set up research, a library, as well as the teaching of children's literature. It had taken the initiative in holding the symposium because of the growing awareness of its importance.

The artist Nahum Gutman, a member of the panel, said that, "A child sees pictures before he reads the text. He may forget the contents, but he remembers the pictures."

Fellowship in three languages

By Hana Marshall
Special to The Jerusalem Post

ASHKELON. — "Ha Yehod" in Hebrew, "Yehood" in Arabic and "Fellowship" in English, are the tri-language names for a group of Arabs, Moslems and Christians from Gaza, and Jews who began to meet regularly a few months ago, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. James Smith in Ashkelon. The Fellowship was organized jointly by Rev. Smith, the Field Representative for the Baptist Church in Israel, and Rabbi Philip Spectre of the Conservative Congregation. Twelve people from the staff of the Baptist Hospital in Gaza were invited and a like number of members from the Conservative Congregation.

The goals and need were the topics of discussion at the first meeting. The Gazans felt that the future of their city now lay with Israel, and all agreed it was essential to begin the job of building personal relationships, understanding and mutual trust. Favourite holidays was the subject at the second meeting at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Spectre.

English has been the common language of the meetings, but all desire at least an elementary understanding of the other's language. The first project undertaken was to create a language class, and Rev. Smith arranged for the services of Mr. Walid Awad Khoury, a graduate of Hebrew University, now the director of a youth centre in East Jerusalem, and a teacher of Hebrew and Arabic. He has created his own syllabus, especially for English-speakers. "The Spoken Arabic of Israel" which is in use in Nazareth and elsewhere. The class is making good progress, and is most enthusiastic. Each student contributes to the cost, and there are requests for a second series of classes.

MUNICIPALITY INTERESTED

The Ashkelon municipality has shown interest in the continued success of the Fellowship and has generously offered the use of their cultural centre, Bet El, for larger gatherings. One idea now being considered is an exhibition of the paintings of an Arab member, Nihad, combined with a musical evening of all the cultures represented. Also, the Israeli members were invited to tour the Baptist Hospital in Gaza.

The Smiths feel that the contact established by the Fellowship contributes its share to the general reduction of tensions among the people of Gaza. Some of the members live in the refugee camp and their courage in attending is to be admired. Although the Military Government conducts several classes in Hebrew in Gaza, this class meets a special social and political need by creating opportunities for friendly contact, in addition to the regular Fellowship Circle meetings.

BAPTISTS HOSTS

How does a Baptist minister from Atlanta, Georgia, U.S.A., and his wife become hosts to such a group in Ashkelon, Israel? James and Elizabeth Smith arrived in Israel in 1965 with an infant daughter, lured by the letters of a colleague who had been the best man at their wedding and who was then the Baptist pastor in Nazareth, and also by their own desire to see the Land of the Bible.

From 1965 to 1967 they shifted back and forth between Jerusalem,

Nazareth, and the United States. In 1968 their son Kyle was born in Jerusalem, and says Mrs. Smith, "Not many Smiths can make that claim." They also spent a year at Upan Akiva studying Hebrew, Jewish history and culture, and the History of Israel. Both are "very comfortable" with Hebrew and have now begun to study Arabic intensively.

When the war broke out in 1967 the Smiths were on holiday in the U.S. They took the first ship back and were posted to Gaza where Rev. Smith worked for the Baptist Hospital. No one spoke Hebrew there and so he was able to fill a real need. After a year or so, they were replaced at the hospital and purchased a house in Ashkelon. "The spirit of this town caught us," says Mrs. Smith. Their career here is a lifetime assignment by choice and they now call Israel home.

MEET THE ISRAELI

Rev. Smith works with the Ministry of Tourism by receiving visitors under the "Meet the Israeli" programme. He delivers a slide lecture on "Christian Holy Places in Israel" upon request, anywhere in the country. The Ministry made a film "Baptists in Israel" and Rev. Smith lectures along with showings of the film.

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At the Ambassadors' tea party last week with the Working Mothers' Association, from left: Dr. Rafaelita H. Soriano, Ambassador of the Philippines; Mrs. Rosario Castellano, Ambassador of Mexico; Mrs. Beba Ideles, general secretary of the Mostet Hapovalot/Pioneer Women; Dr. Johanna Nestor, Ambassador of Austria, at the microphone, and Mrs. Carmen Naranjo, Ambassador of Costa Rica.

FOUR AMBASSADORS AT A TEA PARTY

By Lea Levavi
Jerusalem Post Reporter

WHEN the four women ambassadors stationed in Israel — an unusually high number of women at this diplomatic level — got together with representatives of the Israeli working women's movement, women's rights is a natural topic of conversation.

At a tea party held in the women ambassadors' honour last Wednesday by the Tel Aviv Working Mothers' Association — Pioneer Women, the Philippine Ambassador, Mrs. Rafaelita H. Soriano, proudly explained her country's attitude toward women. "We all know that in the Bible the first woman was created from the rib of the first man. But Philippine legend says that the first woman and the first man sprang simultaneously from the hollow in a bamboo tree." Today, she added, there are more women college students than men in her country and five female college presidents. Women are also politically and economically active — from senators to bankers and business executives.

Costa Rican Ambassador Carmen Naranjo said her country, which does not maintain an army, believes in accomplishing things through law and education; these same means, she said, are used to obtain equality for women.

The fact that she is a woman, said Dr. Rosario Castellano, Mexico's Ambassador to Israel, was one of the main reasons for her appointment to this post. "One of my chief jobs here is to learn how Israeli women live, so I can help the women of my own country improve their condition."

Only the Austrian Ambassador, Dr. Johanna Nestor, did not speak of women's rights or problems. "I'm proud that the prophet of Zionism, Herzl, was born in Austria," she said, after telling of her own interest in Israel — as reported recently in this newspaper.

The women in the audience represented all walks of life. The wives of Israel's ambassadors to the United

States and to Greece, as well as Colonel Dvora Toner, Commander of the Women's Army Corps, were in the audience. Professional women and workers — including Arab and Druze women — attended, as did representatives of Pioneer Women from abroad.

Some guests complained bitterly that the formal seating arrangement, with the ambassadors sitting together at one table, prevented real contact with them. "We see each other all the time; we came here to talk to the ambassadors," the woman sitting next to me said to a friend across the table. They then returned to their discussion of beauty contests in Israel, which — as opposed to the four ambassadors sitting a few tables away — lower the status, and impede the equality, of women.



Tissues passed out to tearful viewers of the French film Les Femmes de la Chandeleur, now playing at the Gordon Cinema in Tel Aviv. The Molott factory, makers of tissues and other paper products, have their own hostess, appropriately said in this picture, handing them out.

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British are better off, but class gulf remains

By LAURENCE MARKS

LONDON (Otns). — THE British are better off, better educated and healthier than they were 10 years ago. They work fewer hours and spend more money enjoying themselves. They have more generous welfare benefits. These are some of the findings recorded in a massive Government report called Social Trends which has just been published by the Central Statistical Office.

It is the latest contribution to the national pastime of collecting self-analysis which the British have been playing with increasing absorption ever since the Suez debacle in 1956 destroyed the self-image of imperial power. It shows that the old country, so far from sinking to the dogs (as all right-thinking Englishmen have believed it at least 300 years), is actually improving markedly.

Not that this will make any difference. Everybody knows that Japanese technology is raising us, the old country, to a level we are all being choked by pollution, and you must buy a decent bottle of claret for less than £1.50.

Still, the statisticians' figures and their helpful graphs and diagrams, as well as mountain ranges, sky-raper blocks and pieces of cake coloured several attractive shades pink in the new publication, are fascinating reading.

MOORE LEISURE

Between 1961 and 1971, personal incomes rose nearly 70 per cent per annum in real terms. Average weekly household incomes increased by 57 per cent while retail prices rose only 37 per cent. More people owned their own homes. One sign of prosperity is that they spent a smaller proportion of that income on their own household goods, and more on cars, drink, entertainment and recreation. Holidays were longer.

In 1980, only three per cent of manual workers had more than two weeks paid annual holiday. In 1972, this rose to 92 per cent. More people go abroad. Spain is the most popular resort. (See Mowrer's dispatch below on Spain's economy.)

Fewer children leave school at minimum age of 15: one-third in 1971 compared with half 10 years ago. Classes are becoming smaller: there were 24.4 pupils per teacher in 1961 and 22.6 in 1970. Teachers are better qualified. The barriers maintained by the rate education system are breaking down. About 8½ per cent of children went to private schools in 1971 compared with 10½ per cent in 1961. Co-education, still somewhat distrusted, is increasing.

Infectious diseases are becoming rarer: partly because of improved living conditions; partly because of the use of antibiotics and anti-toxins; and partly because of the increased use of immunization. Diphtheria and polio have been virtually eliminated. Influenza remains one of the most serious acute infectious diseases (largely because of the aging of the population) and is now the major cause of illness and death, although bronchitis in a damp climate causes most deaths lost from work.

The aging of the population is a long social problem. In 1971 there were 66 people over retirement age (65 years for men, 60 for women) for every 100 children under 15. This compares with only 22 over retirement age for every 100 children 60 years ago. This is one factor in the youth shortage. Young people not only have less purchasing power. Through taxes, they are increasingly being required to support their elders.

SOCIAL TRENDS

Though immigration creates a heavy burden on schools and social services in some industrial cities, it is longer adding to the population as it was in the late 1950s and 1960s. Now, a higher emigration of British people and a slower rate of those from abroad result in net annual outflow. People are marrying younger (the average age fell from 25.6 to 24.6 for men, and from 23.3 to 22.6 for women in the past 10 years). Divorce is becoming more frequent (there were three times as many divorces in 1971 as in 1961). The illegitimacy rate is rising. Families are becoming smaller — as have been ever since the mid-19th century. The command family size for marriages of late 1950s and early 1960s will be 2.4 children — still not small enough for the environmentalists. These trends — the reduction



Thamesmead, planned as an 'infill' new town, in prosperous South-East England, is about 20 km. from London, on the south bank of the Thames. Begun in 1965 at an estimated cost of over £30m, the town is expected to be finished by 1980. It will accommodate 60,000 persons. (Camera Press)

in family size, earlier marriage, and the concentration of child-bearing into a shorter span, have led to significant changes in many people's lives. The length of time devoted to bringing up the children has shortened. This, combined with longer life expectancy, has resulted in a noticeable lengthening of the last stage of marriage when husband and wife are alone or one is widowed. At the same time, longer schooling means that a child may be financially dependent for much longer. These changes help to explain the increase in the number of working wives, an interesting example of the inter-relationship between demographic, economic and technological changes.

REGIONAL DIFFERENCES

But if most people in Britain, rich and poor, are better off, the gulf between them remains formidable. In one sense, a slow redistribution of wealth is taking place. The richest one per cent in the land owned 38 per cent of the nation's wealth in 1961, but only 30 per cent in 1971, while the poorest 50 per cent increased their share from 7.5 per cent to 9.8 per cent. But these

figures for holders of wealth exclude the millions of people who hold no shares, cash in the bank or land, and who, according to some recent calculations, are becoming relatively poorer.

A diet table shows that, despite the increase in welfare benefits, the low-paid eat much less meat, fish, fruit and cheese than the wealthy, and many more cheap fillers and sweeteners like bread, potatoes and jam.

There are also significant regional differences. Nearly one-third of the population now lives in South-East England, where unemployment is only a third of that in the North, wages are high, and prosperity is rapidly expanding service industry. Northerners tend to have worse housing, worse health and less to spend. The drift to the South-East, now one of the most densely populated regions of the world, is continuing in spite of big Government programmes to revive the industrial North. It helps to explain the note of panic in some British attitudes to environmental problems, especially those concerned with land use.

Soviets may raise capital from West investors

NEW YORK (AP). — First steps have been taken toward an unprecedented financial arrangement in which the Soviet Union would raise capital from private investors in the West.

The goal would be an issue of Soviet government bonds to be sold in Western financial centres. It would mean an American or Western European could lend money to Russia and receive interest payments just as he would if he purchased a U.S. government bond.

The Soviet Communists have never before sought to raise money in capitalist countries from individuals. The Russians have already discussed the possibility of a bond issue with a major American bond house, although an official of the firm says "there's nothing new at the moment." However, an international banker says the deal is "definitely in the wind."

The Russians have taken preliminary steps by helping sell bonds of their satellite countries in the West. Three banks and the brokerage house agree that these deals have been useful to the Russians in getting their feet wet in international financial waters. However, because the matter is still in a preliminary stage, none of those involved wanted to be quoted by name.

CASTRO BONDS SOLD

American law forbids giving credit to countries in default on previous issues. However, the Russians claim the imperial bonds, issued before the Russian revolution, are not a debt of the current government.

The Russian government's Moscow Narodny Bank, which has offices in London and Western Europe, has just managed the sale of 75 million Deutsche marks worth of Cuban government bonds. It directed a group of Western banks which bought the bonds from the Cuban government's National Bank of Cuba and paid for them in the West German currency.

Among the buyers of these bonds were members of the banking group including Midland, Lloyds and National Westminster of England, Associated Japanese Bank, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and Banca Commerciale Italiana and Banco Di Napoli.

The fact that these big and well-known banks took part in the sale of the Cuban issue is considered by some as a sign of willingness to support a Soviet bond issue.

JERUSALEM PLAN TO HELP IMMIGRANT ARTISANS

By AARON SITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A PLAN to help immigrants who wish to establish workshops in Jerusalem has been announced by the Ministry of Absorption.

According to the plan, the immigrant whose venture is approved by the Ministry, will get the opportunity of renting or purchasing a site for his shop and a nearby residence unit for his family as well. The head of the Ministry's Economic Department, Mr. Eitan Sivan told The Jerusalem Post the plan has the backing of the Jerusalem Association of Artisans and Small Manufacturers, the Jerusalem Labour Council, the Jerusalem Economic Corporation, the Jerusalem Municipality and the Jewish Agency's Immigration and Absorption Department.

First preference will be given to carpentry shops, plumbers and bookbinders. Following these, preference goes to glaziers, watchmakers, upholsters, diamond cutters, laundries, cobblers, electricians, metalmiths, metal fabricators and food processors. Final preference will be granted to tailors and dressmakers.

Interested persons may apply either in Israel — at the Jerusalem office of the Absorption Ministry — or abroad, at any Israel Aliya Centre. The applicant should be prepared to furnish such information as experience, number of employees in his shop abroad, available capital and whether he intends to import machinery or purchase it in Israel.

PILOT TRIP PROPOSED

Once the application is received, an Absorption Ministry team, together with experts from the Israel Productivity Institute, will examine it. If it is approved, the Ministry will make available to the immigrant a loan and offer other assistance, such as accompanying him to the various Government offices. ("To help him get through the red tape," says Mr. Eitan.)

Mr. Eitan recommends that a prospective immigrant visit Israel on a "pilot trip," and visit the sites offered before deciding whether to invest in a workshop. Such a trip can be arranged with Tour Vealeh of Tel Aviv, through any Israel Aliya Centre abroad. (Tour Vealeh is a unit of the Jewish Agency.)

The shop sites being reserved for immigrants are in structures going up in four industrial zones of the Capital. These are Atarot, Givat Shaul Bet (New Centre), Givat Shaul Aleph and Talpiot. All are being built by the Jerusalem Economic Corporation Ltd., an industrial real estate development firm established in 1948 to help expand the Capital's industrial base. The space set aside for immigrants' use totals approximately 10 per cent of the total floor space in each of the structures. The industrial sites are described as follows:

- Atarot — ready in August, with a total of 4,000 square metres. There will be two one-storey buildings here.
 - Givat Shaul Bet — ready in March, with one five-storey manufacturing building. The total area is 7,000 square metres.
 - Givat Shaul Aleph — same as above, but ready in March 1974.
 - Talpiot — ready in March. This will be one two-storey building divided into 15 units of 120 square metres each.
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U.S. FARMERS USE ISRAELI IRRIGATION METHOD

By TOM TUGEND

LOS ANGELES. — RECENTLY two top agricultural experts from Lebanon and Saudi Arabia visited the farm of Tosh Hasegawa in southern California to find out about a revolutionary irrigation method.

"They sure wasted a lot of time coming halfway around the world," says Mr. Hasegawa, recalling the meeting. "I told them they would have obtained a lot more information from where it all began — next door to where they live, in Israel."

The technique which so interested the Arab travellers is called drip irrigation. It was pioneered in the Negev some 13 years ago and has been enthusiastically adopted by fruit and vegetable farmers in the arid southwestern United States.

In drip irrigation, water running through perforated plastic pipes is fed to plants and trees in trickles, keeping the soil constantly moist — in contrast to the conventional heavy sprinkling or flooding of crops.

The method was imported into the U.S. two years ago by Don Gustavson, a University of California farm adviser, following a Middle East study tour, and the results have been quite spectacular.

CONVERT

Mr. Hasegawa, a Japanese-American farmer and one of the earliest converts, started experimenting with drip irrigation in 1970 on 40 acres of tomatoes. "Instead of paying between \$500 to \$600 an acre for water per year as I did with conventional furrow irrigation, I now pay less than \$300, and my crop yield has increased by 25 per cent," he says.

That's not all. Drip irrigation has eliminated Mr. Hasegawa's weed problem, sharply reduced mould and other plant diseases, and cut fertilization costs by applying plant food through the irrigation system.

Mr. Gustavson credits Israel's Dr. Simcha Blass with innovating drip irrigation in the Negev and describes the method as "the biggest thing to hit agriculture since the introduction of sprinklers 25 years ago."

INFLATION CASUALTY: SPAIN ISN'T CHEAP ANY MORE

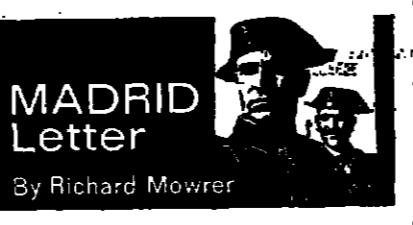
MADRID. —

GALLOPING inflation is beginning to dent Spain's reputation as a country where things are cheaper than elsewhere.

Living costs in the past three years have increased by 23.3 per cent, according to official figures, and there's no tapering off in sight. Indeed, there are signs of acceleration, with prospects that the gap in the cost of living which separates Spain from the rest of Europe will narrow drastically.

With an inflation rate of 9.3 per cent in the 12-month period ending in August 1972, Spain has the next highest rate of increase after Portugal, which leads with 9.8 per cent. In the same period Britain had an inflationary rate of 6.6 per cent, France 6.1 per cent, Italy 6 per cent, Belgium 5.4 per cent.

But the disparity in the pace of inflation between Spain and other European countries may well be greater than official figures indicate if one accepts the estimates of independent bankers and economists. They say, privately, that the inflation rate in Spain is three to four



MADRID Letter
By Richard Mowrer

per cent higher than the authorities admit. They point out that the authorities last year revised their list of indicators for calculating the cost of living index, with the result that estimates are now lower than they otherwise would be.

Major price increases this year have been: bread 10 per cent, city bus fares 20 per cent, subway fares 33 per cent, newspapers 15 per cent, electric light bulbs 20 per cent.

The foodstuffs component in the cost of living index increased by 11.5 per cent in the 12 months period from September 1971. With the approach of the Christmas holiday season, when food prices traditionally shoot up, a fresh upward surge is anticipated.

So far Spain's soaring inflation has not had serious repercussions on the labour front. Wage increases have averaged 15 per cent annually and most employed people have managed to keep the rising inflation tide at arm's length. It is noteworthy in this connection that the issue which sparked a wave of strikes in north-west Spain last September was not higher pay but a shorter work week: 44 hours instead of 48.

But the spectacular rise in food prices is now alarming labour and consumer groups and an ever-increasing number of individual citizens. The state-sponsored National Council of Workers has publicly appealed to cabinet ministers to do something about prices. Provincial governments have been instructed to peg the prices of perishable foods and to check the prices of week-week imports of foreign food products that have been given the go-ahead to try to stem rising costs in Spain.

Yet the government is not unduly perturbed. It takes the position that the current inflation spiral, high as it is, is the price that must be paid to maintain the country's high rate of economic expansion. NO BRAKES YET Economic Planning Minister Laureano Lopez Rodo says that while he recognizes that inflation is a problem, drastic price controls would risk halting economic expansion and adversely affect current full employment. So no vigorous application of brakes, in the form of a credit

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BRITISH WORRY

WHEN Foreign Minister Eban sees his British opposite number, Sir Alec Douglas-Home, tomorrow, he should have a good deal to say to him, not all of it pleasant.

In any sudden one-sided cooling of relations between states the fact of the change is often studiously denied, represented as mere misunderstanding, chance, or super-stupidity by the other side. Britain's current attitude to Israel is a different case: there are no quarrels and no conflict of interests between Britain and Israel itself at present that could lead to a cooling. There is nothing that needs setting out which could be dealt with by so-called "quiet diplomacy."

Britain's open coolness is intended to impress the Arab states, and for this reason must be demonstrative and as public as possible, to placate the Arab oil states and customers for British products.

One could even visualize Sir Alec saying to Mr. Eban that the moves at the U.N. to make the anti-Israel resolution at the U.N. acceptable to the European states is, after all, only eye-wash — which would be true enough — and that Mr. Eban will surely appreciate that some small sacrifice is needed for Arab prestige and stability in the Middle East.

There is much to be said for plain speaking. If a British spokesman says openly that Britain cannot be expected to be as much concerned for Israel's security as Israel itself, that makes good sense. Britain, like like to be assured of stability in the area, first of all in order to be able to develop its commercial

ties with the Arab states, and also to lessen Soviet opportunities for infiltration and expansion in the area. The latter aim is certainly appreciated by Israel, which has watched the Russians dig in on the Egyptian border, move out, and begin to return, and is now observing at least the first stage of the same pattern on the Syrian border. In Syria, with its smaller and less sophisticated political system, it is less likely that the Russians would submit to being expelled. But if Britain, from a distance, puts "stability" first, we do most certainly put security first, even the precarious security we have at present, with at least Egypt demanding a return to the old borders.

But we are not inclined to take chances for the sake of British trade — or even British approval.

If Britain is anxious to do business with the Arab states unhampered by close relations with Israel that may seem to us a shortsighted policy likely to be fraught with disaster, as is any yielding to blackmail, and still we cannot dictate British policy, but if what they are concerned with is admittedly trade and oil, let them not lecture us on our lack of flexibility, compared to that of President Sadat of Egypt, who is now willing to "recognize Israel's existence," according to a British spokesman. Sadat is not "flexible," but he is betting on anxious British memories of the Suez fiasco of 1956. We can only hope that Mr. Eban will not do this point forcefully. If Sadat did not recognize our existence he could scarcely threaten to destroy us or demand the "restoration of Palestinian rights" in Israel, could he?

ISRAEL PRESS

Arab-Jewish spy ring

Referring to the arrest of Israelis suspected of membership in an espionage and sabotage network operating from Syria, Davar (Elstatrut) writes: "This is the first time that Israeli Jews are suspected of membership in an organized network designed to cooperate with an enemy state in acts of sabotage and terrorism against Israel. Special alertness must be employed against the possibility that individual youths might move from the field of political views to this kind of action and security offences."

All Hamaishmar (Mapam) stresses the achievement of having South Vietnam's embassy located in Jerusalem, and goes on to say: "The new ties will weather their test after a peace settlement is reached in Vietnam. Only then will we find out whether or not we'll reach the 'African impasse,' where Israeli ambassadors have to pack their bags and leave."

Ha'arets (non-party) writes: "The principle followed by Israel regarding ties with other countries has been that approval or negation

of the foreign or domestic policy of any state should not be allowed to interfere with the question of diplomatic relations with that country. Ideological (and political) deviations from this approach in the past have already caused tremendous harm to Israel — the two notable examples being refusal to establish relations with Spain because of the Franco regime, and non-establishment of diplomatic relations with Communist China for fear of negative reactions in Washington. To the extent that there has now been a change in this approach, it is to be welcomed, as an expression of the enhancement of the system of Israel's diplomatic ties."

Katzeffe (National Religious) deals with the election at the N.R.F. convention.

Hamaida (Agudat Yisrael) protests against "the venomous attacks launched of late against Agudat Yisrael on religious grounds."

She'arim (Foalet Agudat Yisrael) appeals to its Yeshiva graduates to help rescue juvenile drifters.

FOREIGN PRESS

Israel, Jordan co-exist

The New York Times in an editorial in Friday's edition, said: "Israel is closer to peace with Jordan than it has ever been with any of its other Arab neighbours. Trade flourishes, the bridges across the Jordan River cease-fire line are jammed with travellers in both directions."

"The two countries have demonstrated a tacit military cooperation against a common enemy, the Palestinian terrorists, and King Hussein has repeatedly forewarned the option of war against Israel. If the Hashemite King and his Israeli neighbours are able to co-exist this

comfortably, why do they not go the whole way and sign the first genuine peace treaty of the Arab-Israeli conflict? The problem is that the "very great deal" that Israel proffers still seems to fall short of what Hussein would need to justify with his Arab brothers the starting step of making peace with Israel. Even his conservative brother monarchs in Islam, like King Faisal of Saudi Arabia, would not be likely to endorse any deal that left access to the Holy Mosques even under "special status," only to the good will of the Israelis.

"The conclusion is inevitable that both Israel and Jordan regard the present coexistence as preferable to a negotiation in which both sides would have to make concessions. Israel holds the ground, and perceives no threat from the east; Hussein finds more value in nursing the grievance of Jerusalem lost than receiving only partial satisfaction."

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POMPIDOU, POLITICS AND THE GUILLOTINE Death penalty worries France

By JACK MAURICE Jerusalem Post Correspondent

AN hour's work in the courtyard of Paris's grim Santé Prison last week earned 73-year-old Andre Obrecht a handsome fee: \$2,400. Obrecht is the state's official executioner and the only man in France entrusted with the task of manipulating the guillotine. He has attended 382 executions since he married the niece of his predecessor in the job.

But Obrecht's latest assignment has aroused sharp debate throughout the country. He had last lowered the knife blade in 1969 on Jean Olivier, murderer of two small children. Since then the executioner appeared to have packed up the "wood of justice," as the guillotine is coyly designated by officialdom, for good.

When Georges Pompidou became President it was generally considered that France was on the road towards abolishing the death penalty de facto if not de jure. In Western Europe only General Franco's Spain and the Portuguese dictatorship still espoused the biblical doctrine of "an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth" in their criminal codes. Mr. Pompidou himself had repeatedly expressed his revulsion at judicial killing in private conversation. What has made him change his mind and put the clock back on the evolution of France's attitude towards capital punishment?

Grey morning Obrecht's "clients" on the grey November morning were a particularly unsavoury pair, Claude Buffet and Roger Bontems. Buffet, a 39-year-old veteran of the French Foreign Legion, specialized in attacking solitary women. His last victim was a fashion model, Helen Bestmemy, who was found dead with a bullet in her chest.

At his trial Buffet begged the court to send him to the guillotine. But he was sentenced to life imprisonment and sent to Clairvaux jail where he struck up a friendship with Bontems. Bontems, who was 36, was serving a 20-year term for seriously wounding a tax driver during a hold-up. The two convicts



Execution by "guillotine" in the Middle Ages depicted in a German woodcut of 1889.

decided to try to escape together.

On September 21, 1971, Buffet and Bontems contrived to receive medical attention at the prison infirmary. Suddenly at knife-point, they seized Guy Girardot, a 28-year-old warder, and a nurse, Nicole Comte, who was 38. They demanded firearms and a get-away car in exchange for their hostages. But the authorities refused and sent in police to storm the infirmary building. Inside they found Girardot and Mrs. Comte stabbed to death.

At his second trial for the murder Buffet again appealed for the death sentence. This time the court granted his wish. Bontems pleaded that he stabbed neither of the two victims. But he too was sentenced to death. This appalling double crime confronted President Pompidou with a terrible dilemma. As head of state he had inherited from the old French monarchy the right to exercise clemency which, although suppressed in 1791, was re-established in the year X from the Revolution.

Mr. Pompidou knew that if Buffet remained incarcerated he might try sooner or later to kill another member of the penitentiary staff. No warder would ever feel safe in a prison where Buffet was detained. Both the Communist-dominated C.G.T. and the socialist Force Ouvriere Union of prison personnel

publicly demanded the execution of Buffet and his accomplice. Union leaders warned that if their lives were spared, widespread agitation would follow among warders throughout the country. This was an argument to which Mr. Pompidou, within three months of a general election, could not turn a deaf ear.

Another form of pressure on the President came from the mass-circulation newspaper "France-Soleil" which published an opinion poll claiming that 63 per cent of the country favoured the maintenance of the death penalty and only 27 wanted it to be abolished. Critics of this poll have pointed out that the question was phrased without any reminder that in Britain, West Germany, Israel and other countries where the supreme penalty is no longer exacted, there has been no increase in murder or other violent crime.

Pressure

There can be no doubt that Mr. Pompidou bowed to pressure from the prison workers' union. In sending to his death Bontems, who killed neither of the victims of Clairvaux jail, the President was obviously handing out a sop to the warders' lobby. If Buffet had been

executed alone, he might have gone down into history as the last man to be guillotined in France. But by ordering the execution of Bontems, who had no blood on his hands, Mr. Pompidou has perpetuated the institution of capital punishment.

Bontems' lawyer, Maître Philippe Lemaire, who saw him guillotined at dawn at the Santé, was convinced up to the last minute that his client's life would be spared. Indeed, Mr. Pompidou had already reprieved two men who killed a gendarme sergeant-major and a bank cashier of 33 who hacked his parents to death with an axe. As he left the Santé prison after the double execution, Maître Lemaire said: "I have witnessed a spectacle worthy of the Middle Ages." Bontems' other counsel, Maître Robert Sadate, said: "I can never forget that in France in 1972 I saw the execution of a man, who the court ruled, never killed anyone."

Grotesque

The guillotines produced some grotesque reactions. Father Bruckberger, a leading Roman Catholic divine, commented that execution "safeguards the dignity of the condemned man" whereas imprisonment degrades him. Father Bruckberger added: "He who is going to die is free. It is he who dominates his executioners and his judges. To deprive a criminal under sentence of death of his penalty usually robs him of the only means of rehabilitating himself in his own eyes. What solitude! What majesty! What an exalting opportunity!"

Justice has been done but most French consciences, unlike Father Bruckberger's, are troubled. Even those who approve of the death penalty are asking whether the rope, the electric chair or a bullet in the neck is less repulsive than the guillotine. Moves are afoot to persuade Mr. Pompidou, who held a referendum earlier this year on the universally accepted principle of admitting Britain to the Common Market, to hold another on the issue of the death penalty. Perhaps the French would at last feel at ease in being able to cast their ballots on a problem of conscience rather than of political opportunism.

BASELESS STORY

LEHY DENIES U.S. LETTER-BOMB

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — It is with some amazement that I read Margaret Truman's statement in her new book that her father, President Truman, had received letter-bombs from the Stern Group (December 3).

I happen to be the man who organized and headed, right up to 1948, the Stern Group, or "Lehy" — Lohamei Herat Yisrael — in the United States and the Western Hemisphere. Miss Truman's story is utterly baseless. No American was ever an object of our action, nor was such action ever contemplated. The few letter-bombs sent out by Lehy were destined to England and not indiscriminately, but to those responsible for British policy in Palestine, or to some members of the British Police who had committed acts of atrocity in Palestine.

It is widely believed in Israel that Lehy fulfilled an important task in the liberation of our country. When I read in the newspapers nowadays about hostages being taken and shot, airplanes being blown up and similar tactics of underground organizations, I can only look back at the actions of Lehy with pride and nostalgia: not once, to my knowledge, did we kill a woman or a child, or anyone not directly involved in the struggle for freedom. The Lehy activities in the U.S. were mainly concerned with political action and organizing young men to carry on the fight in Palestine. Moreover, it is hard to believe that the story of a letter-bomb sent to President Truman would have remained a secret for so long.

BENJAMIN GEPNER Bat Yam, December 2.

Readers' letters

CINEMA PRICES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — An article in your issue of November 29 states that the number of cinema-goers dropped by 10 per cent, yet income went up by IL400,000 thanks to a 17 per cent increase in prices.

The cinema, since its inception, has been a popular form of entertainment for the masses. The prices were such as to make it accessible to all the people. Yet now we see a reverse trend. One often sees a theatre that could hold a thousand people barely seating 30-50 viewers. The fact is that the cinemas have priced themselves out of the capacity of most Israelis with their high prices.

In the U.S. many theatres have embarked on an interesting experiment in order to combat a similar problem of rising prices and falling attendance. They reduced the admission price to \$1.00. I can tell you that these theatres are nearly always full and they are successful. It should be noted that two pictures are shown at these theatres from 1:00 p.m. to about 12:00 p.m. so that there is no need for the cinema-goer to keep to a specific schedule.

If our cinemas opened at 1:00 p.m. instead of 4:00 p.m. they could cater to the many shoppers who come into town in the morning and must leave at 1:00 p.m. when the stores close. They would appreciate to cinema to which they could go to relax.

I dare say that if one theatre owner has imagination and daring to try a new policy of lower prices and continuous showings, he will

MOVIE ATTENDANCE

YOUNGSTERS AND THE 'CLOCKWORK ORANGE'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I have always been against any kind of censorship, but I cannot understand how young teenagers (12-13) can be admitted to a movie labelled "for adults only."

The theatre where the movie "Clockwork Orange" is exhibited is full of such youngsters every evening. And it is clear from their noisy and unequivocal reactions that they don't understand the bitter and sophisticated satire which, on the whole, does not concern them in such a film. What attracts them is the uninterrupted succession of morbid scenes with violence, cruelty and extreme sadism.

A physician friend of mine told me that a 17-year-old girl was severely upset and terrified by these scenes. I can well understand her and consider that only sane and normal people are horrified by such a film. DR. ANNA COLOMBO Kiryat Bialik, November 22.

Contempt for sick

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I was shocked to read your report of November 22, according to which Yisrael Mias was fined IL500 for his conduct towards Dr. Guttmann. I don't condone the accused's behaviour, but I can understand it. The contemptuous manner in which his sick father was treated at Donolo Hospital cries to heaven.

In my opinion, the Ministry of Health should investigate whether the doctor was the only guilty party or whether some bureaucrats were also responsible for the lack of care to the sick man and whether there are grounds to bring them to court. BRIMON RUBIN Kiryat Bialik, November 22.

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Railway improvements

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I wish to refer to a recent article, "Haifa-Tel Aviv train to take less than an hour." Rail travel between Haifa and Tel Aviv, which takes less than an hour now, without any increase in the present top speed of 105 k.p.h. I have timed the fast trains on the line many times, and it is clear that 55 minutes instead of 65 is possible, taking into consideration all the safety requirements which are, of course, the prime concern of our railways.

A few alterations in the track layouts of the through stations, the exchange of switches in Tel Aviv Central station and some modification in train workings would result in a decrease in running time to around 50 minutes, without significantly raising the present speed level. The most urgent development needed is the connecting line between Tel Aviv Central and Tel Aviv South via the new Rehov Leviniski Bus Terminal, where the new Tel Aviv main railway station should be located. A double-tracked, third line could form the nucleus of the Dan region rapid transit system, which is badly needed now in order to ease the traffic snarl on the north-south routes. The new line will also bring down the train time from Haifa to Jerusalem and from Haifa to Dimona to approximately two and a half hours, instead of three and a half and four and a half respectively.

Instead of cancelling some fare reductions, more should be introduced, such as half fares for senior citizens, cheaper return tickets and mid-week, off-rush hour special low fares.

H.Y. KOHUT Givatayim, October 6. Israel Railways reply: Mr. Kohut is quite right that changes in the layout of the stations are required before travelling time can be shortened, when fast trains will be able to pass through these stations on "crossings" without

having to slow down. We are now planning these changes, as well as automatic brake devices, so that the new time table will come into effect next year.

Kohut is also right in his evaluation of the Ayalon Valley project, as an important link for the railway network in Israel, as well as the nucleus for the projected Greater Tel Aviv Rapid System.

M. GABRIELI Public Relations Officer Haifa, November 28.

BRITISH JEWS WITHOUT PREJUDICE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Without prejudice! Alex Beryne is playing with figures. He states that, out of a Jewish population of 450,000, only 31,000 gave a donation. I accept this as fact, but it is extremely misleading, as these 31,000 are all likely to be heads of families. It would, therefore, be fairer to say that, out of a Jewish population of 450,000, 124,000 gave, taking the average family as four, or alternately 31,000 families out of 112,500 gave. Whilst this may still not be enough, it shows a much better and fairer proportion.

HERBERT GOLDSMITH Herzliya (London), November 28.

Sir, — Your correspondent, Mr. Alex Beryne, states in your issue of November 28 that of Dublin's 4,000 Jews, only eight could be persuaded to part with some of their cash.

I emphatically refute this statement. The vast majority of the Dublin Jewish community donated the current J.P.A. appeal, the figures of which I have available. PENNY OUSEMAN (ex-Dubliner) Givatayim, November 28. Alex Beryne comments: My figures on Dublin come from the J.P.A. 1971 Report.

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